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To-day's Events

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5 A.W.C. 'Child Protection,' E. Hinder, 4.45
5 For. Y. Lecture: 'Motor Trip' by Dr. A. von Mlorini
5 Artist Club, Hongkew, Eastern Theatre, First Jewish Light Opera: 'The Happy Husband,' by Edmund Eysler, 8.30
5 Amer. Assn. of Shai. farewell to Col. and Mrs. J. C. Fegan, Columbia Club, 6-7
5 Hongkong Currency Ordinance, calling in silver coin (1935)
5 H.M.S. Ladybird and other British ships bombed by Japanese

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Coming Events

DECEMBER
*6 Mahjongg and Bridge, For. Y., Aid of St. Olga's Orphanage, 2.30-7
6 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
6 'Vagabond King,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
7 S.W.A. mtg. and exhibition, C.S.F., 4
7 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
7 S.W.A. meeting and exhibition, C.S.F., 4
7 Royal Asiatic Society Soirée, 5-7.30
7 Free Christian Science Lecture, 1647 Avenue Road, 6
7 B.U.S.C. Winter Social Evening, Winter Garden, 1505 Yu Yuen Rd., 8
7 For. Y. Debate: 'Wealth and Happiness'
8 For. Y. 'Hour of Music'
8 A.U.C. Social Get-Together, Winter Garden, 8
8 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
9 Alpha Kappa Omega Scholarship Fund Raffle drawing, Y.W.C.A., 999 Bubbling Well Road, 4
9 Betar Girls' Dance, A.W.C., 9
10 Municipal Orchestra, 9th Symphony Concert, Lyceum Theatre, 5.15
11 B.W.A. Needlecraft Sale.
12 A.W.C. book review, Mrs. Hylbert, 4.45
12 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese Music' by Mr. J. H. Levis
13 Curtis Strauss' non-stop film revue, 'Piccadilly Follies,' A.W.C., 9
13 Artist Club, Hongkew, Eastern Theatre, 'The Happy Husband' by E. Eysler, 8.30
14 B.W.A. Home and G'den Section, 10
14 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
14 Cradle bridge/mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3
14 Corps Cavalry Smoker, S.R.C., 7.30
14 'Venus in Silks,' music by R. Stolz. Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
14 20th Annual Hanuccah Ball, Cercle Sportif Francaise
14 'Madame Butterfly,' by G. Puccini, First Grand Opera of the Season, at Russ. Club Theatre, 1053 Ave. Foch, 9
15 B.W.A. Gift Day for Hampers
15 For. Y. 'Hour of Music'
15 Shanghai Younger Set present 'Dithyrambics.' Proceeds for British War Work Fund, Lyceum Theatre, 9
16 K.K.K. Bazaar, Masonic Hall, 2.30
16 B.W.A. Gift Day for Hampers
16 'Venus in Silks,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
16 'Madame Butterfly,' by G. Puccini, First Grand Opera of the Season, at Russ. Club Theatre, 1053 Ave. Foch, 9
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18 Two Christmas Plays. Public School for Girls, 5.30
19 Two Christmas Plays. Public School for Girls, 5.30
19 A.W.C. X'mas music and plays, 4.45
19 For. Y. Lecture: 'Modern Physics' by Dr. S. H. Chao
19 Artist Club, Hongkew, Eastern Theatre, 'Nathan The Wise,' by Lessing. Directed by Alfred Dreifuss, 8.30
20 Cathedral Carol Service, 5.45
21 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
23 Children's Christmas Party, Shanghai Engineers' Club, 3.
24 Cathedral Carol Service, 5
24 'Venus in Silks,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
29 Limbless Fund, Sale, U.C. Hall, 9.30
29 Rover Ball at Masonic Hall, sponsored by 7th Shanghai Rovers, 8.30

JANUARY
3 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
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The Merchant Navy :
Plea for British Officers

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—The British Empire is at war and all Britons are expected to take a part for an ultimate victory. The various services vital to the safety of protection and offensive against the enemy are working at high pressure day and night, but one of the services I am sorry to say is not being manned as it might be. I mean the merchant marine. The Empire has the largest and finest fleet of merchant ships in the world and should, especially at the present time be manned by Britons both on the bridge and in the engine room, yet we have many instances where other nationals are employed as deck officers and engineers. During their hours on watch these men are in absolute control (the master and chief engineer must sleep) and many things can happen, so why not have British officers take their places, it might mean the saving of many ships with valuable cargo, not to speak of men's lives. We have instances of British ships requiring naval assistance during the present hostilities here in China (H.M.S. Westcott to Hsiuhsu and H.M.S. Birmingham to Tsingtao) and it would be interesting to know if these ships had British officers; if not, I think it up to the owners of these ships to replace the foreign officers with Britons if available. (Enquiring at the British Consulate Shipping office.) Then we have a British company letting their ships out on charter to Japanese companies, with, in some cases, only one Briton on board (the master), the remainder being Japanese even to the chief engineer. Can anyone say or think this is right or fair? Surely the Consular authorities can take some action to stop these practices continuing. I know if these ships touch a British port a change must be made, but at the present time it should be made compulsory to have Britons when possible. During the Great War this was done, in fact no one was allowed to sit for a certificate without a birth certificate to prove he was British. I am not trying to cry down the abilities of other nationals, but why not let British officers man British ships? Is it a matter of wages and dividends? Is it not better to pay a few pounds more a month and 8 per cent. than to lose ships? Remember this is war time and who knows what countries are going to be involved. We have just seen what Russia has done. At the present time the British merchant navy is the only fleet to carry foreign nationals as officers with the exception of Panama. Why not have a change so that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all that hate us.

British Seaman.

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

The Refugees :
A Reply to Dr. Cohn

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In reply to the letter by Dr. Georg Cohn in your issue of yesterday it must be stated that the Jewish Emigrants have at all times found ready support and assistance on the part of the British Authorities and the British Public.

The same applies to the French Authorities who, however, after the outbreak of War were bound by the laws of France governing "enemy subjects" which do not allow of a differentiation as provided in the British conception of the same laws.

I would take this opportunity also to state that all sections of the Shanghai Public have shown a great measure of sympathy and practical help not to speak of the financial aid which has, as far as possible in these days of innumerable demands, been given to the emigrants unstintedly.

I consider, therefore, that Dr. Georg Cohn's letter was singularly illtimed and also written without consideration of the circumstances prevailing, especially since the outbreak of the War.

Paul Komor.

Shanghai, Dec. 4.

BY SAPAJOU

The Red Puppet

German Economic Difficulties
"Economist" Sees Limit To Russian Help ; Reich Hopes in Neutrals Fail

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 4.

In a column devoted to an "objective account of economic trends in the Reich," compiled by its editorial staff from German and neutral sources, the "Economist" makes a series of observations of German export trade activity, which are of great interest in connection with the Allied decision to seize, as a reprisal for German violations of the laws of war, German exports in neutral ships.

German industry, it is calculated, is dependent for 70 per cent. of its raw materials on imports which must be paid for either in goods or in free exchange.

That part of Germany's exports which is now subjected to the Allied embargo, is that from which she has most looked to obtain free exchange

As for trade through clearings, it is stated that Germany has been putting severe pressure on neutrals to secure deliveries, but results have not been very successful.

Clearances Dwindle

"German sales to Switzerland rose sharply in October. Swiss deliveries to Germany did not. Germany's clearing debt to Switzerland, Italy, Holland, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Turkey has been reduced since the war began. Exports have been maintained or increased, but imports from these countries have fallen short. Germany has not been able to accumulate free exchange or to increase imports from small European countries."

Attention is then directed to the claim freely made in Germany that her trade with Europe and Soviet Russia can make up for the overseas trade lost by the Allied embargo.

The first point made by the "Economist" is that the claim pays no regard to the fact that vital commodities, like nickel, copper, cotton and jute, are lacking in those markets.

As to Russia, she "has only delivered grain and fodder, but Germany also wants oil-seeds, textile fibres, manganese ore and phosphates from the Soviet.

Russia's Limitations

"The Russian oil-seed output has risen considerably, but common Russian oil-seed is sunflower seed which is chewed in the same way as betel and areca-nut in India and is not available for export."

Moreover, the "Economic" points out that "Russian grain, oil, timber, flax and ores have commonly been exported in return, directly or indirectly, for rubber, tin, copper, cocoa and tea from the British Empire.

"Russia must maintain her place in the American and British markets in order to obtain these commodities, which Germany cannot supply.

"The Soviet's exports cannot be diverted en bloc to the Reich. Russia has, indeed, already offered a normal year's supply of manganese ore to the United States.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News," of December 5, 1869

From Peking:—We have heard that the revised Treaty of Tientsin was signed on Saturday October 23, except by Wen-siang who was ill. What it contains has not transpired, but we believe it remains essentially the same, its chief if not only concession, being the opening of coal mines at three different points in the south. Sir Rutherford was to leave on the 1st instant, accompanied by Mr. Conally and two Chinese students. Some difficulties have occurred to the American missionaries at Lehow, the magistrate having refused to let them occupy the chapel. The matter has been referred to Tseng Kwo-fan, Viceroy of the province. The foundation stone of a foreign house for the Prussians, was laid on the 28th ultimo, by Miss Lowder, amongst other articles placed under the stone, was a parchment on which were written the names of all missionaries now in China.

S.V.C. Orders

Officers:—The following extracts from the Municipal Gazette dated Dec. 1, are published for information:—Transfers:—Philippine Company.—Lt. J. W. Templo is transferred to Reserve of Officers "B"—Nov. 24. Resignations:—Corps Headquarters.—Lt. L. F. Payne resigns his commission—Nov. 22.

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Miniature Range (.22 Cal.):—Luncheon hours shoots will cease forthwith. A letter dealing with this subject has been sent to all Unit Commanders.

Inter-Unit Transfers:—Pte. A. C. Kew, Transport Company is transferred to Shanghai Light Horse with effect from November 27.

Strength:—Increase:—The undermentioned are taken on the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Cavalry:—Light Horse.—Tpr. J. G. A. Wijtenhorst Nov. 30. Corps Troops!—Signals Company.—Sgm. M. J. Johnston Nov. 23. Armoured Car Company.—Pte. J. S. Henry Nov. 29. Transport Company.—Pte. M. Gecker Nov. 29. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—Pte. G. S. Pratt Nov. 30. Scottish Company.—Privates E. M. E. Stirling Nov. 23, J. D. A. Fletcher, Nov. 28. Jewish Company.—Pte. R. Zeidler-Jassmann Nov. 29. Light Automatic (A.D.) Company.—Pte. C. C. Young Nov. 28. "B" Battalion:—American Company.—Pte. C. E. Johnson Nov. 27. Portuguese Company.—Privates A. A. Rodrigues Nov. 24, E. M. Baptista Nov. 24, W. F. Wohlters Nov. 29. "C" Battalion:—No. 3 (Vol) Company.—Pte. A. Becker "B" Cl. Res. Nov. 24. Decrease:—The undermentioned are taken off the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Troops:—Signals Company.—Sgt. C. R. Clements Nov. 27, Cpl. J. H. Ladd Nov. 27. Armoured Car Company.—Pte. L. V. Fabian Nov. 27. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—Pte. B. E. Caulton Nov. 24. Scottish Company.—Sgt. T. W. Bone Nov. 29. Jewish Company.—Pte. H. Hirschel Nov. 25. "C" Battalion:—No. 3 (Vol) Company.—Sgt. G. A. Potapoff Nov. 18.

Leave:—Corps Headquarters.—Major H. Berents from 30-11-39 to 14-12-39. Reserve of Officers "A".—Lieutenant G. D. Nicholl from 23-11-39 to 9-12-39.

Acknowledgment:—The following letter has been received from the Officer Commanding, United States Marine Corps, and is published for information:—

United States Marine Corps
Headquarters, Fourth Marines
Shanghai, China
Nov. 30.

Dear Hornby,

I have just returned to my desk from your most delightful luncheon. I was deeply impressed by the fine token the officers of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps presented to me. I wish you would make it known to them that it will occupy a very prominent place in my office or study.

I cannot but help telling you of how much I am impressed with the fine spirit you have maintained in your volunteer organization. I see that your outfit appreciates tradition. Tradition is the long standing corner stone of the United States Marine Corps. We have thrived under its teachings and reaches.

In saying good-bye to your organization, I wish you would tell them of my keen appreciation for their fine spirit of co-operation, and also tell them that my message is:

Long Live The Shanghai Volunteer Corps

As ever,

Your friend,
J. C. Fegan.

Foreign Planes Reported Over Belgium

Brussels, Dec. 3.

Three foreign planes flew over Verviers yesterday. The machines kept at a considerable altitude so that it was impossible to identify them. A number of other foreign planes were reported to have flown over the Namur region.—Havas.

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Vatican Comment on Fate of Finland
Invasion Seen as Part of Major Bolshevik Plan

Rome, Dec. 3.

"The invasion of Finland is part of a huge plan for setting up Bolshevism in northern Europe and the Balkans," says the "Osservatore Romano," a semi-official Vatican daily newspaper.

"Soviet Russia," it adds, "will not be content with Finnish ports and islands, but intends to transform the former Grand Duchy of the Tsars into a Soviet republic. Finland will follow the fate of Poland and become transformed into a Bolshevik republic, linked with the Ukraine. Such a development is part of an arranged plan under which Soviet Russia wants to assure her security in the Baltic, to obtain greater liberty of movement in the Balkans, and to establish a branch of the Kremlin on the Bosphorus."—Reuter.

"Spectator" Comment

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 3.

The Soviet Russian attack on Finland is the subject of editorial comment in the "Spectator."

"Denunciation by Russia of the non-aggression pact with Finland," the journal declares, "is precisely of a piece with the denunciation of the German-Polish pact by Herr Hitler, and provides one more evidence of the utter worthlessness of any agreement with certain Powers which thus cynically advertise their intention to be bound by agreements so long as it may suit their convenience, and no longer. The Finns have comported themselves throughout with dignity, moderation and courage."—Reuter.

Preparations for New Govt. Progressing

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Contrary to ill-founded rumours, preparations by the people of China for the establishment of a new Central Government of China were progressing smoothly, Mr. Yakichiro Suma, spokesman for the Foreign Office, said today.

The spokesman predicted that the new Government would be established in the near future with Mr. Wang Ching-wei as the central figure.—Domei.

International Relief Committee

The International Relief Committee, Shanghai, wishes to acknowledge with thanks the following donations from November 16 to November 30 inclusively. Please send your donations direct to the Head Office at 123 Boulevard de Montigny, Y.M.C.A. Building.

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Italian Submarines Launched

Rome, Dec. 3.

Two new Italian submarines, the Reginaldo Giuliani and the Michele Bianchi were launched today in Tarente and Spezzla respectively.—Havas.

Sanatorium Opened

Ito, Japan, Dec. 3.

In the presence of 500 leading officials and prominent citizens ceremonies marking the opening of the Ito Sanatorium for war wounded were held here yesterday. The hospital was completed recently at a cost of Y.300,000 provided by the Ministry of Welfare.

Situated in a hilly region, the sanatorium comprises 23 separate buildings in a large compound. All necessary equipment has been provided at the sanatorium for treating wounded. Ito is a famous hot springs resort located on the eastern shore of the beautiful Izu Peninsula.—Domei.

Pearl Harbour Patrol Arrests Japanese
Fishing Vessel Held for Trespassing in Naval Base

Honolulu, Dec. 4.

A United States Navy patrol boat late Friday night arrested the captain and crew of the Japanese fishing vessel Ebisu Maru for trespassing in defensive areas of the Pearl Harbour Naval Base. The Japanese were placed under guard on a submarine in Pearl Harbour.

The arrest of these first violators of a Presidential order prohibiting trespass in defensive areas of the Pearl Harbour Base brought a charge on Saturday from Rear Admiral Orin G. Murfin, commander of the 14th Naval District, that there have been recent indications that that order has been deliberately violated. Admiral Murfin said his investigations indicated that the violations were particularly noted when warships were entering Pearl Harbour.

Authorities here declared that they would come down drastically on all violators of the Presidential order.

It was also revealed that Captain William Keliee, a Hawaiian, and his crew of eight Filipinos were arraigned before United States Commissioner Harry Steiner on Saturday on charges of trespass on government defence areas. Keliee was freed under U.S.$200 bond and his crew under U.S.$100 bond each.—United Press.

U.S. Collecting "Blood Money"
Italian Correspondent Says It Will Eventually Recoil

Rome, Dec. 4.

Profits the United States is earning in the sale of war materials throughout the world was described by "Il Popolo d'Italia's" New York correspondent yesterday as "blood money which will eventually destroy those making it."

The correspondent cited as an example, the sale of $160,000,000 worth of war materials to Japan since the outbreak of hostilities against China. "Japan will use this material to destroy United States economic and commercial influence in the Orient," the correspondent said.—United Press.

Coal Discovered in Manchoukuo

Chengte, Dec. 4.

Coal was discovered today at Pancheng in the Chengte District, Jehol Province, of Manchoukuo.

An exploration from the Showa Steel Works started for that area when the discovery was learned here. The outcome of the investigation was being anxiously awaited here.—Domei.

Fourteen Mines Washed Ashore in Holland

Amsterdam, Dec. 4.

During the past five days, 14 mines were washed ashore on Texel Island, according to reports reaching here to-day. All these mines, it is reported, were immediately rendered harmless by engineering units of the Netherland's navy.—Havas.

Hungarian Nazi Party Chiefs Arrested

Budapest, Dec. 3.

M. Tibor Kozmovsky, one of the chief organizers of the "Arrow Cross" (Hungarian Nazi Party) was arrested yesterday at an Hungarian frontier post. His arrest is stated to be in connection with the discovery by Customs officials of numerous illegal leaflets.—Reuter.

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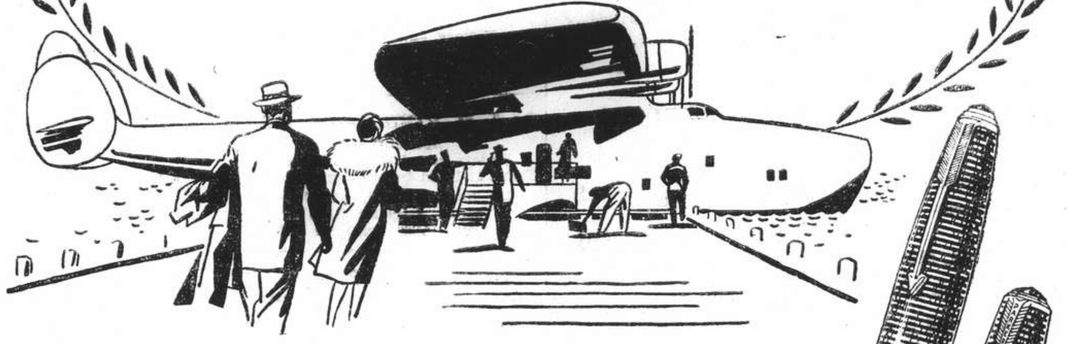

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Poland Brutally Invaded During Negotiations

Sir Nevile Henderson Reveals Forlorn Attempt to Detach Britain from Poland; Hitler's Technique

(Continued from Yesterday)

WITH the threat of war hanging low over Europe there was much diplomatic activity in the German capital after Sir Nevile Henderson, British Ambassador to Berlin, had conferred with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister at midnight on August 30, the date which had been set by German leaders for the arrival of a Polish plenipotentiary to consider German proposals, which had been read over at top speed by Herr von Ribbentrop to the British Ambassador at their meeting. In the following article on the British White Paper, which had been compiled from Sir Nevile Henderson's reports to Viscount Halifax, British Foreign Minister, of events leading to the outbreak of war, the diplomatic drama in Europe is carried on from the meeting with Herr von Ribbentrop to the German invasion of Poland on September 1 and Sir Nevile Henderson's final departure from the country with the British Embassy Staff as the threat of war became a reality.

Referring to his visit to Herr von Ribbentrop Sir Nevile Henderson wrote:

I returned to His Majesty's Embassy that night with the feeling that the last hope for peace had vanished. I nevertheless saw the Polish Ambassador at 2 a.m., gave him a brief and studiously moderate account of my conversation with Herr von Ribbentrop, mentioned the cession of Danzig and the plebiscite in the Corridor as the two main points in the German proposals, stated that so far as I could gather they were not on the whole too unreasonable, and suggested to him that he might recommend to his Government that they should propose at once a meeting between Field-Marshals Smigly-Rydz and Göring I felt obliged to add that I could not conceive of the success of any negotiations if they were conducted with Herr von Ribbentrop.

Though M. Lipski undertook to make this suggestion to his Government, it would by then probably have been in any case too late. There was, in fact, for Herr Hitler only one conceivable alternative to brute force, and that was that a Polish Plenipotentiary should humbly come to him, after the manner of Dr. Schuschnigg or President Hacha, and sign on the dotted line to the greater glory of Adolf Hitler. And even that must happen at once. The Army was asking "Yes" or "No," since the success of its plans depended largely on the rapid occupation of Poland and the conclusion as soon as possible of the war on the Eastern front. Bad weather might otherwise intervene at any time and was likely to prove one of Poland's best defences against the highly mechanized German army. Moreover, a week had already been lost by Herr Hitler's hesitation on August 25.

Decision Taken

I have no doubt that such and other considerations were present in Herr Hitler's mind on the night of August 30. I was consequently not surprised when I received in the early hours of the morning of the 31st reliable information that the actual decision had been taken to order the advance of the German Army by midday or 1 p.m. if no Polish Plenipotentiary had arrived before then. I believe this information to have been accurate, and I attribute the further brief respite which ensued to the twelfth-hour efforts of the Italian Government to restrain Herr Hitler from war.

I had in the meantime obtained from another source more definite, if unauthorized, details of the German proposals, and these I at once communicated through the Counsellor of His Majesty's Embassy to the Polish Ambassador, who spent that morning on the telephone to Warsaw. About the middle of the day I had transmitted to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs a further message from His Majesty's Government to the German Government notifying them that the Polish Government were taking steps to establish contact with them through the Polish Ambassador at Berlin, and asking them to agree to an immediate provisional *modus vivendi* at Danzig, for which purpose M. Burckhardt was suggested as intermediary. To this communication I never received any reply. There was, however, a further delay of some 12 hours. The Polish Government had authorized their Ambassador to establish contact with Herr von Ribbentrop, and Herr Hitler waited to see what message M. Lipski would bring. The question, in fact, was whether his qualifications would be those of a Plenipotentiary empowered by the Polish Government to conduct and conclude negotiations or not. On no other terms was Hitler prepared to postpone action. His army was ready and Poland must be taught a lesson. She must crawl or get her whipping.

During the day there had been much activity on the part of Field-Marshal Göering. I think there can be no doubt that Field-Marshal Göering himself would have preferred a peaceful solution, but in matters such as these it was Herr Hitler's decision which alone counted; and whatever Field-Marshal Göering himself might feel, he was merely the loyal and submissive servant of his master. Moreover, he had come down definitely on the side of peace a year before and it may have been difficult for him to adopt this course a second time. He invited me, however, to come and see him that afternoon, and I did so at 5 p.m. in company of Sir G. Ogilvie-Forbes. Inasmuch as I had heard that the text of the proposals which Herr von Ribbentrop had refused to give me was to be announced that evening, my first remark was to point out to the Field-Marshal that this procedure would probably and finally wreck the last prospect of peace and to beg him to do his utmost to prevent their publication. Field-Marshal Göering's reply was that he could not intervene, and that the German Government felt obliged to broadcast their proposals to the world in order to prove their "good faith."

Desire for Friendship

Instead he talked for the best part of two hours of the iniquities of the Poles and about Herr Hitler's and his own desire for friendship with England, and of the benefit to the world in general and the advantage to England in particular of such a friendship. It was a conversation which led nowhere and I could not help feeling that his remarks, which from his point of view were perfectly genuine but which I had heard often before, were chiefly intended for the edification of his listeners. I augured the worst from the fact that he was in a position at such a moment to give me so much of his time. He had a few days before been made president of the new German Defence Council for the Reich (or War Cabinet) and he could scarcely have afforded at such a moment to spare time in conversation if it did not mean that everything down to the last detail was now ready for action.

Incidentally the composition of that council was evidence of Herr Hitler's acumen. He had selected for it all the most respectable of the Nazi leaders, such as Herr Frick, Dr. Lammers, Dr. Funk, who might be counted upon, with Field-Marshal Göering himself the most popular of them all with the general public, to inspire the confidence of the German people. The worst extremists and the most unpopular with the people were omitted from it. To them was to be confided the less enviable task of dealing with the neutrals, of organizing the Interior and of ruthlessly repressing any internal discontent. My general impression of this talk with Field-Marshal Göering was, in fact, that it constituted a final but forlorn effort on his part to detach Britain from the Poles. Nevertheless the Field-Marshal seemed sincere when, having been called to the telephone, he returned to tell us that M. Lipski was on his way to see Herr von Ribbentrop. He seemed to hope that, provided contact was only established, war might after all prove unnecessary. The meeting between the Polish Ambassador proved, however, quite futile. M. Lipski stated that he was acting solely in his capacity as an Ambassador without plenary powers to discuss or to negotiate, and handed to the Minister for Foreign Affairs a brief communication to the effect that the Polish Government were weighing favourably the proposal of His Majesty's Government for direct discussion and that a formal answer in this matter would be communicated to the German Government in the immediate future. He did not ask for the German proposals and Herr von Ribbentrop did not offer to give them to him. Their meeting lasted but a few minutes.

Advance Ordered

Early in the morning I had rung up the State Secretary and, after pointing out that the German Government had promised to communicate these proposals to His Majesty's Government, and how helpless I was without the authorized text of them, had asked him to suggest to Herr von Ribbentrop once more that they should be communicated to me. I heard no more from Baron von Weizsäcker until late in the evening, when I received a message asking me to call upon him at 9.15 p.m. Similar messages had been sent to the French Ambassador and to the United States Chargé d'Affaires, giving them appointments for 9.30 and 9.45 respectively. I accordingly called on Baron von Weizsäcker at the hour named and received from him the text of the proposals, together with an explanatory statement. As both these documents had already been broadcast at 9 p.m. I asked the Secretary of State what was the point now of making these communications to me. Baron von Weizsäcker observed that he was merely carrying out his instructions and that he could make no further statement to me. I could only infer from this reply that Herr Hitler had taken his final decision. I accordingly drafted that night a telegram to your Lordship to the effect that it would be quite useless for me to make any further suggestions since they would now only be outstripped by events and that the only course remaining to us was to show our inflexible determination to resist force by force. In point of fact the advance into Poland had been ordered that night, and in the early hours of September 1 without any declaration of war the German army crossed the frontier and the German Air Force proceeded to bomb the Polish aerodromes and lines of communications.

Hitler's Technique

In accordance with Herr Hitler's usual technique everything was done by the German authorities to prove to the German public that it was the Poles who had been the aggressors instead of the aggressed. Cynical notices were communicated at 7 a.m. to His Majesty's Embassy notifying me that the Bay of Danzig was closed both to navigation and to flying in view of the possibility of military operations "against hostile attacks by Polish naval forces or by Polish aircraft." Field-Marshal Göring also sent me a message to say that the Poles had begun the war by blowing up the bridge across the Vistula at Dirchau, while Herr Hitler himself issued a proclamation to the German army, declaring that the Polish State had refused the settlement which he offered and had appealed to arms, that the Germans in Poland were being persecuted by a bloody terror, and that the Poles were no longer willing to respect the frontier of the German Reich. Every German newspaper repeated the lie that it was the Poles who had begun the fighting. Finally at 10.30 a.m. Herr Hitler met the Reichstag which had been summoned for that hour, and similarly announced to the assembled Delegates that he had been "forced to take up arms in defence of the Reich." The die had in fact been cast and never can there have been or ever be a case of more deliberate and carefully planned aggression.

Late that evening I was instructed by your Lordship to notify the German Government that the latter by their action had created conditions which called for the implementation by the Governments of the United Kingdom and France of their undertaking to come to Poland's assistance, and that, unless His Majesty's Government received satisfactory assurances that the German Government had suspended all aggressive action and would be prepared to withdraw its forces from Polish territory, His Majesty's Government would, without hesitation, fulfil their obligations to Poland. I was instructed at the same time to request an immediate reply, and was authorized, if asked, to explain that this communication was in the nature of a warning, and was not to be considered as an ultimatum.

Poles Blamed

I handed this communication in writing to the Minister for Foreign Affairs at 9.30 p.m. that evening. Herr von Ribentrop received it without other comment than that the sole blame rested on the Poles, that it was they who had first mobilized and who had first invaded Germanw with troops of the regular army. He made no enquiry as to the nature of the communication which he merely said that he must submit to the Führer. I said that I realized that this would be necessary, and that I would be available at whatever hour he might be in position to give me the Reichschancellor's reply. The French Ambassador, who had been instructed to make a similar communication, did so immediately after me and received a reply on the sme lines.

Earlier in the afternoon of that day, in accordance with your Lordship's instructions, I had officially requested the United States Chargé d'Affaires to be good enough to take charge of British interests in the event of war. All cyphers and confidential documents were burnt, and the whole of the Staff left their normal residences and were concentrated in the Adlon Hotel next door or in the Embabby itself. All the arrangements were carried out with a maximum of efficiency and a minimum of confusion, which did the utmost credit to the organization and competency of the very excellent Staff of His Majesty's Embassy. The chief responsibility for this rested upon Mr. Holman, as Head of the Chancery.

Day of Suspense

September 2 was a day of suspense. The Poles were, it was reported, putting up a brave resistance in the face of surprise and overwhelming numbers, and in spite of the vast superiority of the German air force and mechanized forces. No reply was received from the German Government throughout the day to the British and French warnings.

On the other hand, the Italian Government was making one more effort to save the situation. The Italian Ambassador had come to see me at midday on his way to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Signor Attolico told me that he must know one thing immediately. Was the communication which I had made the previous evening to Herr von Ribbentrop an ultimatum or not? I told his Excellency that I had been authorized to tell the Minister for Foreign Affairs if he had asked me—which he had not done—that it was not an ultimatum but a warning. I mentioned to Signor Attolico that I understood that the Italian Government had put forward a suggestion for the cessation of hostilities and the immediate summoning of a conference of the interested Powers. In this connection I said that I felt bound to express the opinion that such a proposal would never be entertained unless at the same time all the German troops were withdrawn from Polish territory. The Ambassador retorted that I could not speak for my Government. I admitted that fact, but said that I could not imagine the possibility of ourselves, and much less of the Poles, agreeing to any lesser course. I do not know what reply, if any, was given by the German Government to this proposal. But I should like to put on record here that no one ever worked harder for peace than did Signor Attolico not only this year but last year also. He was entirely selfless in this his earnest endeavour.

Only Two Solutions

There were, in fact, for Herr Hitler only two solutions: the use of force, or the achievement of his aims by the display of force. "If you wish to obtain them by negotiation, you must be stronger still." That was a remark which he made to a foreign statesman who visited him this year, and it expresses in the concisest possible form the Hitler technique. It was exactly that which he displayed in September 1938. He was no more bluffing then than he was bluffing in August 1939. Up to the middle of August this year the fear of a war on two fronts, with Russia hostile or at least unfriendly, might possibly have deterred him and his military advisers from action against Poland. There was no Eastern front to give him cause for hesitation in 1938, and he could have counted then on Hungarian as well as Polish support in his nefarious plans for the dismemberment of Czecho-Slovakia. But for Munich he would without a shadow of doubt have invaded that country on September 29 last year, just as surely as he invaded Poland on September 1 this year, and the war would have come eleven months earlier. In both cases the methods employed were identical: the gradual mobilization of the German army over a period of months and its secret concentration at the appointed positions, whence the advance could begin at almost any moment and within a very few hours.

So it was again in 1939. If he could have secured his objectives by this display of force he might have been content for the moment, with all the additional prestige which another bloodless success would have procured for him with his own people. But it would only have been to start again once the world had recovered from the shock, and even his own people were beginning to be tired of these repeated crises. Millions of Germans had begun to long for a more peaceful existence. Guns instead of butter were becoming more and more unpopular except with the younger generation and Hitler may well have wondered what might happen to his Nazi revolution if its momentum were allowed to stop. Moreover the financial and economic position of Germany was such that things could scarcely continue as they were without some form of explosion, internal or external. Of the two alternatives the most attractive from the point of view of his growing personal ambitions, and those of the clique which was nearest to him, was war.

Meant to Teach Poles a Lesson

It is scarcely credible that he would have acted as he did if bloody war, rather than a bloodless victory, had not seemed the fairer prospect for him. He had always meant to teach the Poles a lesson for what he regarded as their base ingratitude in refusing the "generous" demands which he had made to them in March. His only manœuvres since that date were with the object of creating circumstances favourable to his plans or of inducing Britain and France to abandon their Polish ally and to leave him a free hand in Central and Eastern Europe.

To this end, encouraged by Herr von Ribbentrop, who apparently advised him up to the last moment that Britain would not fight, he worked unceasingly. In the course of one of the five interviews which I had with him during those last few days, I remarked to him that it was he who was ungenerous to the Poles, in view of the advantages which his treaty of 1934 with Pilsudski had brought him. Herr Hitler denied that that treaty had ever been of any benefit to Germany and asserted that it had merely been unpopular with the Germans. It was a remark which was typical of Herr Hitler's capacity to ignore everything which he might have said, promised or done in the past as soon as it had become contrary to views for the present or the future.

Never Travelled Abroad

One of Herr Hitler's greatest drawbacks is that, except for two official visits to Italy, he has never travelled abroad. For his knowledge of British mentality he consequently relied on Herr von Ribbentrop as an ex-Ambassador to Britain, who spoke both French and English, and who had spent some years in Canada, and whom he regarded as a man of the world. If report be true Herr von Ribbentrop gave him consistently false counsels in regard to England, while his successes in other spheres induced Herr Hitler to regard him more and more as a second Bismarck, a conviction which Herr von Ribbentrop probably shared to the full.

Even the most absolute Dictator is susceptible to the influence of his surroundings. Nevertheless Herr Hitler's decisions, his calculations, and his opportunisms were his own. As Field-Marshal Göring once said to me, "when a decision has to be taken, none of us count more than the stones on which we are standing. It is the Führer alone who decides." If anything did count, it was the opinion of his Military Advisers. I have always believed that it was they who, in the interests of Germany's strategical security, recommended the establishment of the Protectorate over Bohemia. And again this August, it was they, I fancy, who told Herr Hitler that further delay would be fatal lest the seasonal bad weather in Poland might upset their calculations for her swift overthrow. The army grudged him even the week between August 25 and September 1 which his last attempt to secure British neutrality or at least goodwill had cost it.

Precipitate Action

Yet even so the advice of his soldiers was probably merely cover for the prosecution of Hitler's own plans. His impatience and precipitate action on that last day of August can scarcely have been other than premeditated. All through the summer he had been waiting on events to turn in his favour and had been making his preparations to seize the opportunity, when it was offered to him. The Russian pact appeared to give him the advantage which he was seeking and thereafter there was no time to lose, if mud was not to be added to Poland's allies. When therefore the Polish Government delayed 48 hours in sending its Plenipotentiary to beg for terms at Berlin and even then sent only an Ambassador without plenary powers, Herr Hitler in spite of the expressed readiness of Poland to enter into direct negotiations, finally made up his mind not to keep his army waiting any longer. The order for the advance into Poland was probably given immediately after M. Lipski's interview with Herr von Ribbentrop of 6.30 p.m. on August 31.

Late in the afternoon of September 2 I communicated to the Secretary of State for the information of the German Government the verbatim report of the Prime Minister's speech in the House of Commons on that date. Therein Mr. Chamberlain stated that while His Majesty's Government could not agree to the proposal of the Italian Government for a conference while Poland was being subjected to invasion, they would be willing, if the German forces were withdrawn from Polish territory, to regard the position as being the same as before the forces had crossed the frontier. It was the last chance of avoiding the great catastrophe of war at the last minute, but the German Government remained silent.

Just Before the War

In the early hours (4 a.m.) of September 3 I was accordingly instructed by your Lordship to arrange for a meeting with the Minister for Foreign Affairs at 9 a.m. There was some difficulty in establishing contact with the Ministry at that hour, but I was finally informed that Dr. Schmidt was authorized by the Minister to accept on his Excellency's behalf any communication which I might hand to him. I accordingly handed to Dr. Schmidt at 9 a.m. precisely the final ultimatum from His Majesty's Government, pointing out that over 24 hours had elapsed since I had requested an immediate answer to our warning communication of September 1, that since then the attacks on Poland had been intensified, and that, unless satisfactory assurances were received by His Majesty's Government before 11 a.m. British summer time of the suspension of all aggressive action against Poland and of the withdrawal of the German forces from that country, a state of war would exist between our two countries as from that hour.

Dr. Schmidt received this communication and undertook to deliver it immediately to his Chief. As no reply from the German Government was vouchsafed by 11 a.m., the German Representative in London was informed in due course at that hour that a state of war existed between Britain and Germany. By 10 minutes past 11 a.m. every British consular officer in Germany had been advised by the staff of His Majesty's Embassy at Berlin this was the case.

Final Message

Shortly after 11 a.m. I received a final message from Herr von Ribbentrop asking me to call upon him at once. I did so at 11.30 and he handed me this time a lengthy document to read, beginning with a refusal on the part of the German people to accept any demands in the nature of an ultimatum made by the British Government, and stating that any aggressive action by England would be answered with the weapons and the same form. The rest of the document was pure propaganda with a view to attempt to prove to the German people and the world generally that it was Britain alone who was to blame for everything which had happened. My only comment on reading this completely false representation of events was: "It would be left to history to judge where the blame really lay." Herr von Ribbentrop's answer was to the effect that history had already proved the facts, and that nobody had striven harder for peace and good relations with England than Herr Hitler himself. His last remark to me was that he wished me, personally, good, to which I could only reply that I deeply regretted the failure of all my efforts for peace, but that I bore no grudge against the German people. Thereafter I saw no further German official except the member of the Protocol, who accompanied our special train as far as Rotterdam. My last official communication to the German Government was a note which I presentd on the instructions of His Majesty's Government enquiring whether the German Government would observe the provisions of the Geneva Protocol of 1925 prohibiting the use in war of asphyxiating, poisonous or other gases and of bacteriological methods of warfare—I understand that the German Government have since replied through the Swiss Minister in London giving the required assurance on the understanding that His Majesty's Government would similarly observe the provisions of the Protocol.

French Ultimatum Similar

The French Ambassador had presented at noon a similar ultimatum to the German Government to expire at 5 p.m. For a few hours after 11, a.m. the telephonic lines of His Majesty's Embassy at Berlin continued to function, but at about 4 p.m. all telephonic lines were cut off and both the Staff at the Adlon Hotel and the Embassy itself was isolated from all exernal contact. Members of my staff, however, had visited the Protocol at 11 a.m. with a view to arranging for our departure. They were treated with every civility and consideration and were informed that a special train would be placed at our disposal the following morning.

Our only contact thereafter with the outside world was through the American Embassy. Its aid and help was invaluable. No trouble was too great for the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Alexander Kirk, and the members of his staff. They did everything that was possible to smooth over the difficulties of those last 24 hours, and our plesasantest recollection of them is our appreciation of the great sympathy and willing assistance which we received from the American Embassy.

The French Embassy left Berlin at 9 a.m. the following morning, Monday, September 4. The British Embassy followed in a special train, leaving the Charlottenberg station at 11.20 a.m. The whole party consisted of 20 men, 7 women and 2 dogs. A small crowd collected round the Embassy before our departure, but unlike 1914 it evinced no single sign of hostility. Mr. Kirk rendered me one more last service by driving me to the station in his own car. The streets of Berlin were practically deserted and there was nothing to indicate the beginning of a war which is to be the sole arbiter in international affairs; whether international instruments solemnly and freely entered into are to be modified, not by negotiation, but by mere unilateral repudiation; whether there is to be any faith in future in written contracts; whether the fate of a great nation and the peace of the world is to rest in the future in the hands of one man; whether small nations are to have any rights against the pretensions of States more powerful than themselves; in a word, whether government of the people by the people and for the people is to continue in this world, or whether it is to be replaced by the arbitrary will and ambition of single individuals regardless of the peoples' will.

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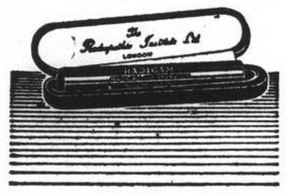

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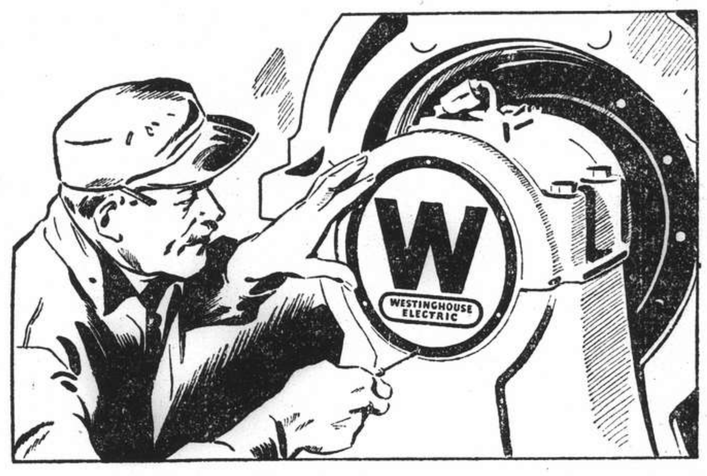

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Basketball Leagues Begin

Three Games in Foreign "Y." Invitation Series; Erin Villa and Greens Main Ladies Attraction

BASKETBALL season started in full swing yesterday evening when half a dozen games, three in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation League and as many in the Raid Challenge Series for Ladies at the Navy Y.M.C.A. were played off. The United Development Club met the Wasps in a contest between the two strongest Chinese teams and ran out winners by a score of 44 to 30.

The United quintette used the five-men zone defence to great advantage as the Wasps were virtually snowed under, although the latter managed to count the first two baskets. For fully five minutes the ultimate winners passed the ball round and then let loose a scoring spree which put them ahead and never to be over-taken again. The first half finished, 19 to 14.

Close guarding was responsible for four of the men receiving marching orders. On each side a player committed four personal fouls. Sun of U. D. and Loh of the Wasps were high scorers, each garnering five field goals.

The Moore Memorial Church five were given a stiff fight by the Chains. The first half ended with 12-8 and closer play was seen in the next period in which the winners tallied 14 and the losers one point less. Charlie Chan, the guard, was outstanding as he shot four field goals and convered as many foul throws.

The "Y" Giants experienced no difficulty to take Aurora University into camp, winning one-sidedly by 38-16. With the exception of I. Soskin, who played only for a brief period, every one had a share in scoring. Yaron was the pick of the crew, netting five field baskets.

The scores follow:—

GIANT:	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Yaron, f.	5	0	0	10
Smith, f.	2	1	0	5
I. Soskin, f.	0	0	1	0
Vernick, c.	4	0	1	8
Kazmiroff, g.	2	0	0	4
Karpenko, g.	2	0	2	4
N. Soskin, g.	3	1	1	7
	18	2	5	38
AURORA				
K. H. Tong, f.	2	1	0	5
S. S. Yen, f.	0	0	2	0
T. P. Woang, f.	0	0	0	0
S. K. Wong, c.	2	0	2	4
L. F. Sie, g.	1	0	0	2
H. S. Fong, g.	2	1	2	5
	7	2	6	16
CHAINS				
S. F. Ting, f.	3	1	2	7
C. P. Lu, f.	2	0	3	4
K. P. Hu, c.	2	2	3	6
K. T. Hu, g.	0	0	2	0
C. Z. Chang, g.	1	2	2	4
	8	5	12	21
MOORE				
W. K. Liang, f.	0	0	0	0
Z. D. Ching, f.	1	0	4	2
P. Ling, f.	0	0	2	0
S. Yang, c.	3	2	3	8
Y. C. Soong, g.	1	0	2	2
S. Sung, g.	0	2	0	2
Charlie Chan, g.	4	4	2	12
	9	8	13	26
U. D. CLUB				
H. C. Sun, f.	5	3	2	13
T. T. Lee, f.	3	1	4	7
S. H. Hsu, f.	1	2	3	4
H. C. Chen, c.	2	5	3	9
S. T. Yui, g.	3	2	1	8
S. Y. Pao, g.	1	3	4	3
	15	14	13	44
WASPS				
D. T. Loh, f.	5	1	3	11
H. K. Woo, f.	2	1	2	5
Z. S. Tao, c.	0	2	2	2
C. F. Chao, c.	1	2	4	4
S. B. Tung, g.	1	0	0	2
Z. Z. Chow, g.	2	2	4	6
	11	8	15	30

Ladies Basketball Take

In the Reid Series at the Navy "Y" the game between Erin Villa and Greens was the main attraction which resulted in the former winning by a most unusual score of 7 to 5. The first half ended with the Erin girls leading by 6 to 3.

The League of Pals, playing in the opening game, took the measure of the Blues by 16 to 8. The victors had a slow start but went into stride in the second quarter and finished the first half on the long end of a 10-2 tally. They coasted along in the remaining half without any danger of losing.

Led by Miss N. Wilson, who scored seven baskets, the Telephones trounced the Post Mercury five by 27 to 9. The victors jumped into a lead from the very beginning and dominated all the way.

Summaries of the ladies games follow:—

The results of games played at the Navy "Y" follow:—

BLUES	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
V. Dodd, f.	1	2	0	4
P. Brewer, f.	0	0	0	0
N. Cohen, c.	2	0	0	4
B. Stead, g.	0	0	1	0
N. Stead, g.	0	0	0	0
V. Chernoff, g.	0	0	1	0
	3	2	2	8
LEAGUE OF PALS				
B. Encarnacao, f.	0	0	1	0
L. Campos, f.	1	0	0	2
M. Bridges, f.	2	0	0	4
L. Chao, c.	0	0	0	0
C. Bestines, g.	2	0	0	4
T. Bestines, g.	0	0	0	0
V. Oliveira, g.	3	0	0	6
C. Diniz, g.	0	0	0	0
	8	0	1	16
TELEPHONES				
K. Richardson, f.	2	2	0	6
M. Baron, f.	3	0	0	6
R. Mizrahi, c.	0	0	0	0
I. Rybb, c.	0	0	1	0
N. Wilson, g.	7	1	1	15
L. Lawler, g.	0	0	0	0
	12	3	2	27
POST MERCURY				
C. Campbell, f.	2	0	1	4
M. Jameson, f.	0	1	1	1
E. Foyn, f.	1	0	0	2
M. Markitant, c.	0	0	0	0
A. Garzey, g.	0	0	1	0
O. Ilinistkaya, g.	0	0	0	0
E. Munz, g.	0	0	0	0
V. Brauns, g.	1	0	0	2
	4	1	4	9
ERIN VILLA				
L. Ellis, rf.	0	2	0	2
E. Sullivan, lf.	1	0	1	2
M. McEven, c.	0	0	0	0
L. Oliveira, rg.	1	1	0	3
A. Waller, lg.	0	0	0	0
	2	3	1	7
GREENS				
B. Harrop, rf.	1	0	0	2
J. Bidwell, rf.	0	0	0	0
A. Hammond, lf.	0	0	1	0
M. Nossoff, lf.	0	0	0	0
E. Carter, c.	0	1	1	1
D. Parkhill, rg.	1	0	0	2
M. Sheridan, lg.	0	0	1	0
	2	1	3	5

Palestine Team to Train For International

The Palestine selection committee announce that their team for the International Cup will go into training on Thursday, 5.30 p.m. on the Weihaiwei Road ground.

L. Greenberg is chairman and A. Ladar, hon. secretary of the committee.

Ladies Inter-Club Duck Pins Play

Foreign "Y." Led by Mrs. Malleck, Tighten Grip in Northern Section

Led by Mrs. Malleck, who established a new triple record of 369, the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. tightened their grip in the North Section of the Shanghai Ladies Inter-Club Duck Pins League by trouncing the Columbia Country Club "Blues" yesterday afternoon in the latter's alleys. The "Y" bowlers took two of three games and amassed the season's highest team aggregate of 1,531.

No less than three of the five players on the winning side exceeded the 300 mark. Mrs. Malleck displayed rare form to gain three consistent singles of 121, 125 and 123. Mrs. Sobel countered 318, including a fine 122 in the second strong. Mrs. Collaco just beat the 300 mark by one pin.

Mrs. Geibel Scores 343

Mrs. Geibel of the "Blues" was also in splendid style, netting 343 pins, an excellent singles of 132 in her third game. It was due to her efforts that the team managed to save a shutout defeat by a margin of a lone pin, 509-508.

In the South Section the American Club "Aces" took the lead by vanquishing the C.C.C. "Whites" in their own alleys. The homesters won all three games by a comfortable margin in each instance.

Scores of the four matches follow:

A.C. ACES				
Mrs. Jenssen	83	111	89	283
Mrs. Evans	88	106	97	291
Mrs. Rundall	81	93	84	258
Mrs. Kwok	98	101	98	297
Mrs. Deegan	103	86	92	281
	463	497	460	1,410
C.C.C. WHITES				
Mrs. Hale	88	82	74	244
Mrs. Freeman	95	92	78	265
Mrs. Putman	79	74	92	245
Mrs. Vines	82	100	89	271
Mrs. Gray	80	90	85	265
	424	438	418	1,280
FOREIGN "Y" BOOTS				
Miss Baptista	99	99	91	289
Mrs. Greenberg	95	94	75	264
Mrs. Mortimer	81	79	74	234
Mrs. Tate	87	85	94	266
Miss Bugaeff	89	97	72	258
	451	454	406	1,311
RACE CLUB				
Miss Wilson	82	88	83	253
Mrs. Bowern	87	82	94	263
Miss Picozzi	92	89	85	247
Mrs. Prince	91	85	96	272
Mrs. Pote-Hunt	89	96	80	265
	442	420	438	1,300
FOREIGN Y|M|C.A.				
Mrs. Zee	79	101	99	279
Mrs. Harvey	86	97	81	264
Mrs. Collaco	120	75	106	301
Mrs. Nobel	97	122	99	318
Mrs. Malleck	121	125	123	369
	503	520	508	1,531
C.C.C. BLUES				
Mrs. Huebner	97	93	84	273
Mrs. Darby	88	88	87	263
Mrs Dalton	98	100	89	287
Mrs. Davis	89	88	107	284
Mrs. Geibel	104	107	132	343
	476	465	509	1,450
C.C.C. REDS				
Mrs. Schuster	108	99	117	324
Mrs. Kops	95	82	87	264
Mrs. Keen	88	96	95	279
Miss Jackson	92	87	87	266
Mrs. Bristow	86	93	101	280
	469	457	487	1,413
MARINE LADIES				
Mrs. Johnston	101	93	94	288
Miss Honnel	88	85	79	252
Mrs. Fraser	84	73	86	243
Miss Kuhn	86	86	88	260
Mrs. Nelson	93	104	84	280
	452	441	431	1,324

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Squash Rackets to Begin Tonight

Last Year's Winners and Runner's-up To Field Almost Same Sides

The opening matches in the first division of the squash rackets league will take place this evening, the Rowing Club being at home to the Race Club while the Foreign Y.M.C.A. will entertain the Oarsmen on the Y.M.C.A. courts. Games are scheduled to start at 5.30 p.m. and each team will furnish five players, points to be one per match, a total of five per side being available for one evening's play.

The contest at the Rowing Club will see two teams who had a good struggle for leading position in the senior league last year meeting again with practically no change in the composition of the sides. The Race Club who are the holders of the first division title will field practically the same side as last year, a play-off of their eliminating games being held last night to find the fifth man, and those in the running are R. D. Parkin, H. E. Orr, G. J. Mary, J. S. Flood, J. Jacob, A. V. Striker and G. Talbot.

The first four places in the Race Club senior team are assured and they will rank with H. Wade, last year's senior champion as No. 1, J. Pote-Hunt as No. 2, E. B. Cumine as No. 3, M. Benavitch as No. 4. All four are very much of a similar standard in play and are expected to do well. Their opposition in the Rowing Club will be W. Neugebauer as No. 1 for their hosts, G. W. Morris as No. 2, H. G. Fabian as No. 3, A. C. Sinclair as No. 4 and C. S. Kimber as as No. 5. The Rowing Club contingent while not being regarded as strongly as the Race Club side should be well in the running, and if G. W. Morris and other players can bring off some of the surprises they were successful in showing the public last year, a reversal to the visitors may be the result.

Carson and Green Match

At the Foreign Y.M.C.A. the home team will have D. Green to lead them against L. D. Carson who is the No. 1 for the Oarsmen. These two met in a friendly match at the Rowing Club earlier in the season when Green was successful, but Carson is always a difficult nut to crack at any time and it is quite on the cards that he may upset Green on this occasion. The other members of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. team are not yet known, but it is expected either J. Forbes or T. E. Baker will play No. 2 against R. B. Gotch, the latter being expected to win. R. Berglof or S. Ginsbourg is expected to play No. 3 or 4 and the other members of the Y.M.C.A. team will probably be drawn from J. Berglof or M. Beckerman. They will meet H. M. Snow, W. M. Portrude and either T. O. Schmid or R.S.L. Frewin. The lower ranked players on the two teams are expected to have a closer fight than those ranked higher up with the exception of the Green-Carson match, and with a slight balance in favour of the Oarsmen, the contest on the whole should be fairly even.

Second division matches will take place on Thursday when the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank team meet the Race Club "B" at the Race Club, the Y.M.C.A. "B" meeting the Army on the Y.M.C.A. courts, and the Columbia Country Club being at home to the Light Horse.

S.F.A. Programme of Ten Matches for Week-end

Seaforths and Tung Hwa to Form Main Attraction

Play in the S. F. A. League will be resumed on a big scale this week-end when the ten senior teams will play, according to an announcement made yesterday by Mr. M. Spiegler, the Secretary.

The main attraction will be the contest between the Seaforth Highlanders and Tung Hwa on Saturday at the Canidrome. The Chinese pulled a surprise victory over the East Surreys last Saturday, 3-2, and their perfornance against the Jocks should draw great interest. On the same day at the Race Course the Surreys are to meet the Public Thomas Hanbury team.

Lido, present leaders who have been idle for the past two week-ends, are to tackle the Shanghai Recreation Club on Sunday morning at the Canidrome. In the afternoon two more senior games will be played off on the Racecourse when Clube Lusitano clash with Association Sportive Francaise and S. M. Police tangle with St. Francis Xavier.

Supplementing the senior tussles are ten junior encounters. The complete list follows:—

SATURDAY

1st division.—Seaforths *v.* Tung Hwa, Canidrome, 2.30 p.m.; P.T.H. *v.* Surreys, R.G. 2.

Reserve division.—Surreys *v.* Tung Hwa, Aurora, 2 p.m.; S.M.P. *v.* Seaforths, Kiaochow, 1.45 p.m.; P.T.H. *v.* Lusitano, R.G. 5.

2nd division.—U.T.P. *v.* French Forces, Kiaochow, 3 p.m.

3rd division.—Hjudeans *v.* Tung Wen, R.G. 1; Betar *v.* Oarsmen, S.R.C

SUNDAY

1st division.—S.R.C. *v.* Lido, Canidrome, 10.30 a.m.; Lusitano *v.* A.S.F., R.G. 2; S.F.X. *v.* S.M.P., R.G. 1.

Reserve division.—Lido *v.* Kiaochow, 1.45 p.m.

2nd division.—J.R.C. *v.* Russ. Regt., R.G. 5; Ching Hwa *v.* Sokol, Kiaochow, 3 p.m.

3rd division.—R.A.M.C. *v.* Russ. Club, S.R.C.

Too Much Baseball At Hongkew Park

Casual Stroll Becoming A Risky Business

Too many baseball enthusiasts have turned Hongkew Park into a vast diamond, where people out for a stroll can do so only at the risk of being hit by a stray ball, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

Because of a lack of S.M.C. supervision, various games are being played indiscriminately, while the once beautiful lawn is being destroyed, according to the daily.

Officials of the Japanese Residents' Corporation, the daily added, were studying a plan whereby the park would be leased from the Council, with the J.R.C. assuming the responsibility for policing and maintaining the park. Entrance fees would be charged to seeure funds to employ a necessary number of guards and gardeners.

The S.M.C. "virtually gave up" the park since 1937, the "Tairiku Shimpo" alleged.

Tail-Wagger Chats

In Elizabethan days those small pets that were the forerunners of King Charles Spaniels were known as spaniels gentle or comforters. They were "comforters" not quite in the sense that we should use the word, but because many believed that if they were pressed to the bosom of an ailing person the disease was drawn out. Although we have got far away from that state of credulity we still look upon dogs as comforters, thanks to their friendship and the interest that they bring to a home. There is no better panacea for loneliness, and women who are left to carry on while their men are away derive a sense of security from the presence of a dog.

Their minds are occupied by the little attentions that their canine friends need, and they are tempted to take exercise because the dog must have a walk. In anxious times a walk without society, human or canine, is apt to be spoilt by preoccupation with one's troubles. A dog will prevent one falling into this unhealthy frame of mind, and he has the advantage of not talking or answering back. In these early stages of the war I have already met women who have expressed to me their indebtedness to their dogs, and several, I am glad to say, have made their newly-acquired treasures members of the Tail-Waggers' Club. May I suggest to owners of Tail-Waggers that a little chat about dogs will often lift the worry, momentarily at any rate, that is in danger of becoming an obsession.

A man who was about to vanish into the unknown asked me the other day what kind of dog would be most suitable for him to give his wife. All I could advise was that he would be safe in studying her taste, for there were dozens of breeds that were sensible and companionable. I did suggest, however, that he should buy her one strong enough to act as a protector in the home or when she was out on country walks. The tiny toys are often alert and vigilant enough to give the warning if strangers are about, but they have not the strength to cope with a bad character.

I have just been looking at a charming photograph of General Sir Edmund and Lady Ironside, in which two coloured bull terriers figure conspicuously. It has been said that these are men's dogs. So they are to all men who appreciate courage and strength, but for a number of years now women have been breeding them with success, and have shown that they are fully capable of managing such high-spirited animals. Bull terriers are teachable and tractable if one has the knack of training, and they are incomparable as guards, fearing nothing on two legs or four. The coloured ones are now becoming very popular, perhaps because their coats do not show the dirt as readily as the whites.

However, many others answer the purpose as well. In order to make the most of them they should be carefully trained, talked to and so treated that they are not likely to wander from their mistress. This is really not a difficult thing to do.

ACTORS and actresses are doing war work even while playing. Kay Astor for instance is a nurse, dividing her time between the operating and legitimate theatre. A few days ago she attended her first operation which lasted for two hours, and is proud of the fact that she was the only one of the novices not to faint or collapse.

Hungjao Golf Club

The results of the November through-the-month competition are as follows:—

18 HOLES MEDAL PLAY	H'cap	Nett
A. Graham	15	67
G. H. Mann	8	69
H. Laffond	11	69
H. J. M. Cook	12	69
E. G. Smith-Wright	11	70
R. M. P. Skinner	11	71
C. King	18	75

68 entries

18 HOLES RUNNING POOL		
*G. H. Mann	8	36
*H. Laffond	11	36
*H. J. M. Cook	12	36
E. G. Smith-Wright	11	33
R. M. P. Skinner	11	33

*—Tie.

72 Entries.

Hawaii U. Loses Game to Fresno College

Honolulu, Dec. 3.

Fresno State College of California on Saturday beat the University of Hawaii, 38-2, in a football game before 21,000 spectators in Honolulu Stadium.

On a field dampened by momentary showers, the Fresnons fast-breaking attack accounted for touchdowns in every period. The lone Hawaii tally came on a safety in the second period. —United Press.

Shanghai Golf Club

The December Monthly Cup will be played for on Saturday and Sunday, December 10 at Seekingjao—conditions 18 holes medal, "A" Class scratch to 12 and "B" Class 13 to 24.

Nazi Policy Branded By U.S. Germans

"Former Standards of Human Decency Have Left Reich"

New York, Dec. 4.

"Former standards of justice and human decency have left Germany" said Dr. Julius Lips, former professor of Cologne University when he addressed some 1,000 members of the German-American Cultural Group at a meeting yesterday.

The road leading to the building where the meeting was held, was decorated with banners reading: "Culture Distinguisnes Germans from Nazis."

The German-American Cultural Group has some 100,000 followers in all parts of the United States and during yesterday's meeting, a number of prominent members branded the Nazi regime. The meeting passed quietly and there were no disturbances.—Havas.

Explosion on U.S. Tanker At Kawasaki

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Assistant Engineer Liu Tse-hing of the 11,246-ton tanker California Standard, moored at the Mitsubishi Wharf at Kawasaki, was seriously injured in an explosion at 3.20 o'clock this afternoon, a telephone message reaching here this evening stated. A leaking oil pipe was blamed for the blast.

The vessel, belonging to the Standard Oil Co., will undergo repairs at the Asano Dockyards at Tsurumi, it was stated.—Domei.

Kerensky Brands Soviet Action in Finland

New York, Dec. 3.

Alexander Kerensky, former Russian revolutionary leader and head of the Russian Provisional Government until October, 1917, made an appeal to the American public today, when he stated that Russia's aggression against Finland is not in keeping with the wishes of Russian democrats and patriots, who, he said, are against "this shameful and dishonorable action of Stalin."—Havas.

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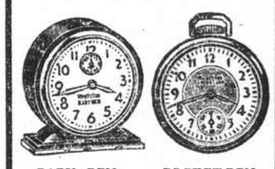
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Colonel Fegan to Be Honoured At Farewell Functions Today

Shanghai Defence Force Units to Parade at Race Course; Reception at Columbia Country Club

COL. Joseph C. Fegan, Commanding Officer of the Fourth U.S. Marines for the past fourteen months, will officially bid farewell to Shanghai today. The colonel, with Mrs. Fegan, will sail for the United States in the ss. President Taft tomorrow afternoon. Col. Fegan relinquished command of the Fourth Marines at noon yesterday to Lieut.-Col. Charles I. Murray, formerly Regimental Executive Officer. Col. Murray will be in command of the regiment until the arrival in Shanghai of Col. De Witt Peck next January.

Detachments from the Shanghai Defence Forces will line up in an official farewell guard of honour on the baseball grounds at the Race Course at 10.30 this morning. Details from the Fourth Marines, S.V.C., French Forces, British Forces, Italian Marines and the Japanese Naval Landing Party will be drawn up facing the Cricket Club in the order named. The band of the Fourth Marines will be on hand to provide music at the ceremony.

The troops will be in position at 10.15 to receive Col. Fegan who will arrive by way of Lung Fei Gate. He will inspect the honour guard and then return to a point near the Cricket Club to bid farewell to the commanders of the Defence Forces here and other friends who may be on hand to say goodbye.

Farewell Reception

The Columbia Country Club will be the scene of a farewell reception in honour of Col. and Mrs. Fegan from 6 to 7.30 p.m. this evening. The reception, to which all Americans in Shanghai are invited, is being sponsored by the American Association. The Fegans will depart from the Customs Jetty at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow and while there has been no official farewell function scheduled to take place on the jetty, a number of friends of the departing officer and his wife will be on hand to bid them bon voyage. The Fourth Marines band will be present at the jetty to play "Auld Lang Syne."

During Col. Fegan's tour of duty in Shanghai he has accomplished many improvements in the various billets and buildings used by the Fourth Marines. Living quarters, recreation rooms, athletic fields and even store-rooms have been remodelled and many new buildings have been erected. Col. Fegan was very well liked by the entire Marine command and was one of the most popular commanding officers the Fourth Marines have had. He is an ardent supporter of all forms of athletics and during his stay here succeeded in building up the morale of his men to a peak.

Col. Fegan arrived in Shanghai on October 18, 1938, relieving Col. Charles F. B. Price as Commanding Officer of the Fourth Marines. Prior to his Shanghai tour of duty Col. Fegan served in Marine Corps Headquarters in Washington to which duty he has been ordered to proceed upon his arrival in the United States. Previous to that assignment Col. Fegan served as Aide to President Roosevelt on the latter's official visit to the Governor-General of Canada.

Farewell Speech

In a farewell speech over station XMHA yesterday afternoon Col. Fegan thanked the members of the various foreign communities in Shanghai for the hospitality shown to Mrs. Fegan and himself. The speech follows:—

Leaving friends and interesting places is always sad, said the colonel, specially friends who have been so cordial. We shall always remember the grand way we were received by the American colony here upon our arrival nearly fifteen months ago. We shall never forget the happy evenings spent at your homes and clubs. We shall praise you long and loud back home. The British colony have helped to make our cruise very happy. They extended us the use of their clubs and recreational areas and have received us generously in their societies and in their homes. All of which have brought about many new friendships which shall always be recalled with good cheer.

The French colony also have been kind to us. We have enjoyed their society, living in their attractive and well-run Concession, and using their clubs and parks. We are grateful for all these privileges. To my military companions the members of the Commandants' Council of the Shanghai Defence Forces with whom I have enjoyed close professional and social contact, I say it is with real regret that I leave you. Our luncheons have become a happy tradition, they have led to a fine military fraternity. And to the Staff Officers of the various Commandants, you have been a definite assistance to your various chiefs. You have worked together in fine order, thereby setting a splendid example.

Japanese Courteous

The officers of the Japanese Army and Navy have always been courteous and generous in their exchange of calls and social affairs; during these occasions I have experienced much enjoyment. The Italian representatives here have always been congenial toward us upon all occasions, both professional and social. We have found them fine company and good fellows. Upon our return to Shanghai last year we found several of our old friends among the Chinese people, some of whom we had known in Washington and some here during our last duty. It was good of you to receive us so cordially. We did enjoy your hospitality.

To the Municipal authorities, who have been very co-operative and generous, I send a word of gratitude. Your task is difficult, as conditions are abnormal, in the sixth largest City in the world, but you are solving it. To the gentlemen of the press and the newscasters, go my best wishes and thanks for the many nice things you have said about the affairs of the Fourth U.S. Marines during my time in command.

To the officers and men of the Fourth United States Marines: You are a grand Regiment! You are doing a tip top job! "Carry on!" Our hands and hearts go out to you. Mrs. Fegan and Mrs. Sunderland and myself will leave the Customs Jetty Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock to board the President Taft, but we will leave with heavy hearts and tight throats.

Peru Denounces Treaty With China

Lima, Dec. 4.

The Peruvian Government issued a decree yesterday definitely forbidding Chinese immigration. The decree was issued after Peru denounced the Porras-Wu Tin-fang protocol because of alleged irregularities in violation of Peruvian migration laws.—United Press.

Latest Picture of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek

Here is the latest picture of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at Chungking calling the roll at a special training class in which he lectured on military, political and economic questions to an audience of several hundred high officials recruited from many departments of the Chinese Government. During the pre-war days, he did the same thing in Kuling where hundreds of military and political leaders in this country listened to him. This special class is called the Central Training Corps.

Japanese-Soviet Relations

Slanderous Reports Spread In U.S., "Pravda" Charges; No Non-aggression Pact

FROM PERCY WHITEING
N.C.D.N. Special Correspondent in Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Mr. Y. Suma, Japanese Foreign Office spokesman, who recently visited Shanghai, today stated that the conclusion of a non-agression pact was in no way the Japanese aim in the current Russo-Japanese negotiations. The negotiations were being held, he added, in order to settle outstanding matters between the two countries including trade, fishery, treaty, boundary and the Saghalien concessions questions. It was for this purpose that the Japanese were concentrating upon the negotiations.

He heartily concurred with a recent article which appeared in the Soviet newspaper "Pravda" in which the hope was expressed that an agreement would be reached with Japan. Meanwhile, he concluded, Japan was watching Soviet activities in Finland. On these he refused to comment.

Attempt to Intimidate

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Slanderous reports spread by the American press would not hamper Japan and the Soviet Union in establishing peace in the Far East, the "Pravda," leading Russian newspaper, declared on Saturday, according to dispatches received here today from Moscow.

The Russian publication charged the American press with attempting to intimidate Japan in the establishment of friendly relations with Russia. The "Pravda" asserted that American newspapers were claiming that the concentration of the British Far Eastern fleet in Singapore would facilitate the American air force if raids ever were made on Japan.

The American press, however, was finding it "impossible to hamper the joint peace policy of the two countries and their attempts to strengthen the peace fabric in the Far East based on the Nomonham truce agreement," it was stated.

Gaimusho Observations

The editorial in the paper met the approval today of a spokesman for the Japanese Foreign Office. He observed that the "Pravda" expressed great hope that friendly relations between Japan and the Soviet Union would be promoted.

"We share that view," he stated. "We want to arrive at an amicable agreement on pending questions between the two countries, including trade, fishery, oil and coal concession questions."

The spokesman said that the "Pravda" covered a wide-range of subjects but did not touch a non-aggression pact.

"What is in our mind," he said, "is the settlement of all pending questions. A non-aggression pact is not in our programme."—Domei.

Tokyo's Caution Over Negotiations

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

"The Soviet Union desires to negotiate an agreement on the basic principles of an understanding before taking up concrete issues. Japan, on the other hand, insists on a solution of concrete issues, such as the Manchoukuo border revision, a fisheries pact and clarification of Japanese rights in North Saghalien, before attempting a basic adjustment of Japanese-Soviet relations."

These comments are made today by the "Miyako Shimbun," discussing the course of negotiations between the two countries. The newspaper adds that the Japanese Government fears to reach an outright basic Japanese-Soviet understanding, as it might "seriously affect the prestige of the Japanese Government's policy of defence of anti-Communism and produce internally a state of ideological confusion."—Reuter.

Soviet-Japanese Trade Discussed

Moscow, Dec. 4.

Soviet-Japanese trade was discussed by Mr. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador to Russia, and M. Solomon A. Lozovsky, Vice-Commissar of Foreign Affairs, at the Kremlin last night.

The conference followed a conversation between Mr. Togo and M. Viacheslav Molotov, Commissar of Foreign Affairs, on Friday.—Domei.

France Satisfied with Results Of Blockade of Reich

German Ability to Overcome Shortages Will Not Catch Up with War-Time Needs; Ersatz Limited

Paris, (Airmail).

DEPENDENT as she is on overseas markets for most of her vital commodities, Germany already has been dealt a severe blow by the efficiency of the Allied blockade, and her position is worsening daily as the Allies steadily increase and perfect their contraband control measures, French naval quarters stated. Relying on foreign lands for her supplies of cereals, meats, fats, minerals, textiles and, in particular, cotton, which is so vital to the armaments' industry, Germany is bound to feel the effects of the blockade more and more as the Allied Fleets intercept incoming German merchant vessels.

It is a generally recognized fact that for years, Germany stored supplies in preparation for a war, but the commodities thus placed in reserve hardly can suffice for any length of time, French quarters pointed out. The argument, moreover, that occupied Poland and Soviet Russia eventually will be able to make up for Germany's own shortage of cereals and petrol and that such supplies would obviate the need for purchase abroad, is a weak one. Aid to be obtained from Poland cannot even be estimated as yet, and there has been very little evidence to prove the alleged Soviet desire to help Nazi Germany.

Germany is poor in foodstuffs and the annual harvest of grain covers but a small portion of her total needs. She always had to purchase meat, fats and fruit abroad, it was pointed out, and her deficiency of cereals, especially wheat and rye, annually amounts to close on 890,000,000 tons.

Although stocks were laid in prior to the outbreak of the war, they meant a terrific financial sacrifice. Livestock and meat purchased abroad alone cost £11,000,000 each year, economic experts declared. To cut down on this expenditure, Germany in recent years intensified livestock rearing and her efforts met with partial success. Another problem arose to take the place of the original one, for Germany now has to purchase forage, soya beans, oats and corn abroad, and she needs approximately 2,500,000 tons of this produce annually.

Winter Will Show Effects

The blockade, economic experts continued, while it already is sorely felt in the Reich, will exert itself in full strength as the winter months bring cold and frost and when the people begin to feel the great shortage of heat-producing fats and similar foods, now unobtainable.

No less than 150,000,000 marks were spent last year on purchases of butter and cheese, while 218,000,000 marks were spent on imported cereals, fruits and vegetable oils. Most of these supplies came from countries which now are cut off by the stringent blockade.

Upon the outbreak of the war, the obvious thing for Germany to do was to find substitutes for the many commodities and foodstuffs she no longer could obtain—and she did try to find such substitutes.

Here again she met with setbacks. Instead of meat, fish was substituted, as it had been already some time before the start of the war. Now, with the British and French Fleets cutting off the fisheries of the North Sea, fish, too, is scarce.

Mineral, Oil Needs

Minerals, so vital to a land at war, must be bought abroad either entirely or in part. Germany's requirements exceed her production by 22,000,000 tons. Today, cut off from most of her sources of supply, Germany can secure these minerals only from the Scandinavian countries. Even here there are difficulties, for winter renders sea travel difficult and uncertain.

In the matter of oil supplies from abroad, Germany again faces severe restrictions, for four-fifths of the countries from whom she imported oil during the first half of 1939 today are cut off by the blockade.

Production of synthetic gasoline made great progress in the Reich during recent years and production capacity may be expected to increase in wartime, but crude oil and other lubricants, vital to modern industry and armaments plants, can hardly be produced synthetically.—Havas.

Hongkong Indefinitely Postpones Codes Use

Hongkong, Dec. 4.

Authorities here have decided to postpone indefinitely the relaxation of consorship restrictions on telegraph and wireless communications announced last week.

On November 30 an official statement declared that as from December 7 certain codes could be used in communications to and from Hongkong.

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TWO SURVEYS

Two interesting surveys of the present position with regard to the War will be found in another column. They are both of importance. Washington official circles are reported to be of the belief that an understanding exists between Herr Hitler and M. Stalin regarding their respective spheres in northern Europe, though Berlin is reported to be chagrined over the clumsy manner in which M. Stalin is extending Russian influence. That is perfectly understandable, for anything clumsier than the invasion of Finland it is difficult to conceive. Observers believe that Germany will suffer from Russian action for three reasons: 1, Russia is using war supplies against Finland, which would have been available to the Reich; 2, the Finnish war is alleged to be revealing unexpected weaknesses in the Red Army throwing doubt upon the efficiency of Soviet military aid to Germany, and 3, the indignation aroused amongst neutrals including the United States by the Russian attack on the Finns. It is probably because of some such reasons that there has arisen disunion amongst Herr Hitler's advisers, for it must be obvious that Moscow is not hoarding its war material for the purpose of ultimately placing it at the disposal of Germany, for, of course, a consideration, but is actually using it for the purpose of furthering her own schemes, and whether or not that is done as a result of a secret understanding between Herr Hitler and M. Stalin is entirely beside the point. It will, however, be more than a little surprising if it ultimately turns out to be the case that Herr Hitler is in complete agreement with all that M. Stalin is doing, or is likely to do in the future, for if he is, then he has given the head of the Soviet Government a blank cheque which he is now filling in entirely to suit his own book. Any agreement for the division of Scandinavia must operate against Germany, for the greater the Russian controlled coastline in the Baltic the greater the reduction of the influence of the German navy. With the Russian plan for naval expansion the Reich must sooner of later face a menace which has been made all the more imposing by recent Russia successes.

From London comes another and wider review of the situation. In addition to the Soviet-German menace in Scandinavia there is the same combined threat in south-east Europe, where it is quite obvious the interests and influence of Italy,—the small wheel in the penny-farthing Rome-Berlin axis,—are being completely disregarded. It is suggested that Germany in her increasing need for raw materials might advance upon Rumania to the Carpathian Mountains while Russia would drive forward along the shores of the Black Sea aided by the friendly attitude of Bulgaria towards her. In these two movements, in Scandinavia and the Balkans, observers profess to see the extension of the present war into a general struggle. The Allies could, and probably would go to the assistance of Norway and Sweden if they resisted Russo-German aggression, though in strict observance of international law they would have to stand aside if no such resistance were offered. In the Balkans the Anglo-French-Turkish mutual aid pact bars the way to fruitful aggression, for Ankara has only to say the word and the Allies can, and will place their forces along the eastern front to defend the interests of peaceful, independent countries. It is claimed, with apparently good reason, that Anglo-French troops in Syria, Palestine, Egypt and North Africa would easily permit of the creation of an Eastern Front, though much would depend upon the ultimate attitude of Italy, which might be a factor operating to some extent against it. With a neutral Italy such a front could be established with every prospect of success, though were that nation openly hostile the situation would undoubtedly become very complicated. In this connection it is doubtful whether Italy would readily take action in support of a combination between a nation which has grievously betrayed the principles for which Signor Mussolini stands, and Russia which represents everything for which he has an inveterate hatred. Signor Mussolini is unlikely to assist Herr Hitler to pull the chestnuts out of the fire, realizing that his relationship with Der Fuehrer has been sadly unproductive of results so far as Italy is concerned.

A third interesting speculation is to the effect that, with the Russian menace assuming the proportions it threatens to do, there may be a renewal of German propaganda in favour of stopping the war, and offering a common front to fight Bolshevism. The first reaction to that would undoubtedly be to tell Herr Hitler "You got yourself into this mess; get out of it yourself," It is a natural one, one which would stultify any drive which might be launched by Dr. Goebbels and his Ministry. It is more, for it succinctly states the only conclusion which can be reached after a closer scrutiny of any such proposed movement. Is it possible, after all the world knows of Herr Hitler and his perfidies, that the democracies could trust him sufficiently to fight with him against the Russian threat which he himself brought into Europe? And if it were possible could there be any assurance that again at some later date Herr Hitler would not turn against the democracies who would in fact be his saviours? The answer is that so long as Herr Hitler, or anyone else who thinks like him, is in power in Germany it would be impossible to give her that assistance which she might eventually need to extricate herself from the embarrassing situation in which she finds herself. For any such appeal to succeed Nazism would have to be destroyed for the evil thing it is, and its rule replaced by one which would command respect and trust. There can be no question of fighting Bolshevism for the salvation of a system equally as iniquitous, no question of fighting one evil that another might survive. That is the reason why it is confidently expected that should the German Propaganda Ministery make any such appeal it will be rejected with scorn. That Ministry and the Government of which it forms a part will have to go before there can be any question of uniting with Germany in a common front against Bolshevism, for there can be no question of a common front in which there is not the completest confidence and trust between its component parts. A politically sane and healthy Germany would be worth the saving, but she has got to cure herself of her present madness before there can be any question of the democracies at present opposed to her joining in a common cause against Bolshevism.

Heligoland

The daring raids by Royal Air Force machines on Heligoland throw into prominence the island of Heligoland, one of Germany's fortified bases, which assumed much more importance in the days prior to the last world war than in this. Situated about 30 miles from the mainland of Germany and almost equidistant from the borders of Holland and Denmark, Heligoland formerly belonged to Britain and was exchanged with Germany for the island of Zanzibar on the east coast of Africa. Heligoland has always been a dubious strategical factor. When it was under British control it possessed a garrison of police, coastguards and lighthousemen, with nothing larger in artillery than a few salute guns. In such close proximity to the German coast, it could never represent any effective British base any more than Germany could maintain such a base in the Thames estuary. The exchange was a bargain although those people believing in Gibraltars and powerful menacing fortifications, without considering the strategical weakness, exaggerated its value. After it came into German possession, work started on the extension of wharves and the creation of a base for submarines and other small craft, while fortifications were added. In 1914 it was fully fortified and on the outbreak of war its population of 2,000 was evacuated to the mainland—the Heligolanders being given one hour in which they could pack the hand baggage. Actually, the island escaped severe bombardment and a few islanders returned to their homes. Under treaty obligations Germany was compelled to dismantle the fortifications and restore the island to its former status as a free port. It took three years to raze these fortification and after nine years of peace, Chancellor Hitler ordered extensive refortification and the island once again became a naval base but on much more powerful lines than ever before. Details of Heligoland are lacking because of the extreme restrictions imposed on foreign visitors but one observer recently declared that, although the big guns projecting at all points, indicate the extent of the mechanical effort introduced, the island, with its soft sandstone cliffs, in spite of protective bastions and underpinning, continues to crumble into the sea in a similar manner to some parts of the English coast. A seventeenth century map of Heligoland showed an island of 1,000 acres, but the present area is less than 200 acres.

A Memory

Eighty years ago today the man, who was to beat the German Navy in the last war, and to be made Earl Jellicoe for his services, was born. It is as well that his name should be remembered in times such as these for he and his redoubtable aide, who became Earl Beatty, demonstrated a quarter of century ago that the old Nelson spirit still prevailed in the British Navy, just as its officers are proving the same fact today. The Battle of Jutland will go down in history as at one and the same time the most decisive and most undecisive naval battle in history, for while it had the effect of confining the German fleet to its own waters, from which it did not emerge until on its way to surrender at Scapa Flow, it did not result in its destruction in battle. There are still many of the opinion that to be completely decisive the German fleet should have been almost completely destroyed in that action. Indeed it might have been with just a little more luck than Earl Jellicoe received, but the reduction of the German navy to a state of complete idleness, and the complete unrestricted command of the seas which the Jutland victory gave Great Britain must stand as vindication for the contention that from the point of view of the naval campaign the encounter was completely decisive. That the tradition which Earl Jellicoe personified still pervades the British Navy is evidenced by the manner in which the crew of the ss. Rawalpindi had no hesitation in engaging the overpowering odds which she encountered in the North Sea. There was no thought of fleeing,—it would not have been possible,—but though resistance meant the deaths of a large number of men, the officers and crew fought their ship to the bitter end, and did so well that it was merely a matter of bad luck that assistance did not arrive in time which might have meant the end of the foemen's vessels. The German fleet has not yet seen fit to come out after the British fleet. It would be heartily welcomed if it did, for no better opportunity would be offered of refuting the often claimed contention of the Germans that the British are becoming effete. The successors of Earl Jellicoe would seize upon the opportunity of proving it to them.

The Munich Squib

Truth does have an unfortunate habit,—from the Nazi point of view,—of coming out, and the latest example is in connection with the alleged bomb attempt on Herr Hitler at Munich on November 8. It will be remembered that there were many suspicious features about the whole business, most of which have already been pointed out in these columns, and there was plenty of ground for assuming that in fact there was no attempt on Herr Hitler, who, contrary to his usual practice, was well away from the scene of the explosion before it took place, and when simultaneously with the dissemination of the news came the story that the attempt was doubless inspired by the British, long before any investigations could have successfully established the truth of such a tale, widespread doubts were expressed concerning the whole thing as being nothing more than a clumsy put-up job. One of the most interesting features of "The Times" is the almost daily publication of an article entitled "In Germany Today" dealing, for the most part, with revelations made by the various German broadcasters. On October 13, on page 7, column 4, it printed the following:—

> A workman from the Rhineland, "behind the West Wall," was brought to the microphone late on Wednesday night to give his views to German listeners. "We are trembling for the safety of our Fuehrer," he declared. "If something should happen to him through the fault of Britain, then we should have no one left in Germany to keep us calm." He added: "That Mr. Churchill might cost you your life."

The Wednesday on which the Rhinelander in question spoke over the microphone was October 11, so that 28 days before the alleged bombing attempt took place, a German workman was actually broadcasting a prophecy concerning it over the German radio. If there is one thing that is carefully supervised it is German broadcast propaganda, and it follows that what the man was going to say was well known to the propaganda authorities, and was said with their approval. They knew this stunt was going to be staged, and in clumsy form sought to prepare the German nation for it. And all this is merely another proof that German propaganda undoubtedly has, what has been claimed for it, a certain amusement value.

IN PARENTHESIS

No Flies

"THERE ain't no flies on me," countered the Scotch aviator when his friends tried to coax a free flight out of him.

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Ignorant

"I HEAR you were out golfing with the club champ. Mame. How does he use the woods?"

"Don't know. We played golf all the time."

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Quick

Department Store Pro: "Do you wish to learn to play golf, madame?"

She: "Oh, no—it's my friend who wants to learn. I learned yesterday."

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Instructor?

FIRST Student (as plane goes into spin): "Quick. what do I do now, instructor?"

Second Student: "Hell's bells—aren't you the instructor?"

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Any Time

NERVOUS Passenger (who has recklessly gone up on maiden flight with nephew): "H-here, t-tell me when you're going to loop-the-loop again!"

Nephew: "Well, auntie. I don't always know."

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Too Bad

AN old couple slept soundly through the air-raid warning. But they were awakened by the all clear, promptly dressed and descended into the cellar.

They were still there when the milkman called!

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Rifle Behind Ear

SERGEANT, to another. "In spite of his swank, I'll bet you that fellow Jones was only a clerk before he was called up."

"What makes you think that?"

"This morning I called 'Stand at ease, and he tried to put his rifle behind his ear."

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Return Ticket

A SMALL evacuee arrived at the house, was given supper and put to bed.

Next morning, looking thoroughly dissatisfied, he packed his bag and announced he was going home.

"You can't do that," said his hostess. "Who's going to pay your fare?"

"They fetched us for nowt. They can take us home for nowt," he answered.

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Till "All Clear"

A POLICEMAN clearing a street during an early morning air-raid warning saw a lorry driver pull up and climb out of his seat looking a bit shaken.

"Here, mate," he said. "you look queer. Come down in this shelter here."

"Wouldn't you look queer?" asked the driver. "Here I am with a lorry load of ammunition, and the planes are coming over."

"Lumme," said the policeman, "you clear off till it's all clear."

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Gass-ed

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Managing director (to Mr. Gass): "Would you like to say a few words to the men?"

Mr. Gass: "Yes, sir. I would like to have a practice drill as soon as this meeting is closed."

Director: "Certainly, Mr. Gass, a very good idea. Now will anyone who has not brought his gas-mask with him please raise his hand?'

Very slowly and sheepishly one hand went up—that of Mr. Gass!

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Cannibal Stories

CANNIBAL: "We've just captured an actor."

Chief: "Fine! I was hoping for a ham sandwich."

First Cannibal: "The chief has hay fever."

Second Cannibal: "Serves him right. I told him not to eat that grass widow."

Shipwrecked Professor: "In my country, you ignorant fools, I am regarded as a man of letters."

Cannibal King: "Good! Fine! We'll make you into alphabet soup."

Plutocrat: "No. sir. I am sorry I cannot help you. I disapprove of foreign missions."

Minister: "But the scriptures command us to feed the hungry."

Plutocraft: "Very likely. But surely we can feed them on something cheaper and more nourishing than missionaries."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

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Same date, 1938	Min. 46.0	Max. 64.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 28.9	Max. 53.1
Same date, 1938	Min. 43.9	Max. 65.3

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 3rd:—Pressure very high and steady over China and Japan. Violent typhoon crossing the Vizayas north-west by west. Winter monsoon along the China Coast. Fine and cold weather in China.

State on the morning of the 4th:—Fine and cold weather. Heavy hoar frost. Calm of wind. Pressure very high and steady.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cold weather with morning fog and rather fresh winter monsoon over Shantung, our regions and to the south of the Saddles. Cyclonic storm around Luzon. Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre at 2 p.m., within 60 miles, latitude 14, longitude 122, slow to north-west, intensity: unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Finns Inflict Heavy Losses on Invaders

Fighting Rages in Lake Ladoga Area; Petsamo Still Held; Snow, Frost Hamper Russian Army; Helsinki Evacuated; Poison Gas Charge Denied

Helsinki, Dec. 4.

"THERE was little activity on the eastern front owing to heavy snowfall, except north of Lake Ladoga, when the Russian forces have suffered heavy losses," states a communique issued here today. An official statement, denying the Russian allegation that gas had been used by the Finnish forces, says that "it is not out of the question that the Russian accusation is a pretext for their future use of poison gas." The announcement added that the General Staff stated emphatically it had never considered the use of poison gas. The Finnish Government, the communique concluded, was ready to allow a neutral commission to make exhaustive enquiries.

The allegation that Russian troops brutally treated inhabitants who had not evacuated their homes north of Lake Ladoga, is contained in an official resume published today. It is also claimed that a large number of Russian troops were blown up when they entered a mined forest near Terijoki. The Russian losses have been placed at several thousands, while eighteen tanks are said to have been destroyed. While fighting continued on the eastern front, the capital passed a relatively peaceful Sunday.

From official statements issued during the day it appears the flight of civilians from northern Finland is being covered by the five or six divisions which, it is claimed, recaptured Petsamo and took about 800 prisoners.

Big Stand Possible in North

Military observers think the Finns may make a determined stand between Petsamo and Revaniemi. There is only one railroad in this region, which could easily be blocked. The Finns hope to maintain resistance for a long time in the bewildering maze of forests and lakes in northern Finland.

It was also revealed yesterday that a woman pilot was among the crew of a Russian plane brought down after it had been machine-gunning the streets of Relsinki.

The inactivity of Soviet airmen over the capital during the week-end may have been partly caused by the presence here of the German steamer Donau, with 600 Germans aboard. The vessel is expected to leave today for a German port. The Swedish steamer Brynhilde, which left Aabo for Sweden on Friday, is reported here to have been machine-gunned by Soviet planes. There were, however, no casualties among the passengers, it is stated. Those aboard the ship are said to have included twelve French women and children.—Reuter.

Situation Favouring Finns

London, Dec. 4.

The military situation is developing in favour of Finland, according to the Finnish authorities in London.

Following the fall of snow in the Lake Ladoga district, they say, the Russians are having difficulty in advancing. The Finns, on skis, are able to concentrate at menaced points at great speed, and Russian motorized forces are at a disadvantage. They claimed that late this afternoon, Petsamo was still in Finnish hands.—Reuter.

Nickel Zone Burning

Oslo, Dec. 4.

Refugees, including wounded soldiers who arrived at the Norwegian village of Svanvik today, reported that Salmijaervi, centre of the nickel zone in north Finland, is burning. Huge columns of smoke were observed from Svanvik. It is believed that the Russians have landed fresh troops in north Finland, hence new actions are expected shortly.—Reuter.

Italian Planes Arrive

Heisinki, Dec. 4.

Six Italian planes for use by the Finnish Army arrived here yesterday and nineteen more, recently ordered by Finland, will arrive shortly, it was reported.

Official figures of civilian casualties for the first two days of Soviet aggression say that on November 30 and December 1, in the province of Helsinki alone, 65 civilians were killed and ten injured while fifteen buildings were completely destroyed and 223 badly damaged. Three persons were killed and two injured in Hango, while at Viipuri, eleven died and fifteen were injured. In the province of Hame, six were killed and fifteen injured while one was injured in Laponia.

Only a comparatively small number of civilians still remain in the Finnish capital.

It was confirmed that when Soviet war ships bombarded Russaro Fort, a destroyer accompanying the cruiser Kirov was sunk while the Kirov was damaged by shore batteries.—Havas.

Reds Parachute Troops

Shanvik, Norway, Dec. 4.

Six huge Soviet planes flew over Salmijaervi, Finland, yesterday and 200 Russian frontier infantrymen later mysteriously appeared near the Finnish town. The Russian troops were presumed to have dropped by parachutes from the Red planes, although no one saw the actual descent.

Two Finnish detachments were reported to have closed in on one of the invaders from two sides and it was presumed that they had been surrounded. At first it was believed the Soviet planes were on a reconnaissance mission. One was shot down while the others escaped under fire.—United Press.

Whole Soviet Squadron Destroyed

Amsterdam, Dec. 4.

Annihilation of a complete squadron of twelve Soviet bombers at Imatra is reported by the Helsinki correspondent of the "Telegraaf." He says the planes were trying to bomb the huge electricity plant which serves the whole of southern Finland. Eleven raiders, he reports, were shot down by anti-aircraft guns and the twelfth made a forced landing.—Reuter.

Finns Still Hold Petsamo

Stockholm, Dec. 4.

According to latest reports the Finns are still holding Petsamo, the capture of which was claimed by the Russians several days ago.—Reuter.

Russians Admit Stout Resistance

Moscow, Dec. 4.

The capture of Hogland, and several other strategic islands off the Finnish coast, is claimed in a communique released here today.

"Having recovered from the first blow the Finns are resisting more and more strongly" states "Pravda," the

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League Council to Meet on Saturday

Assembly Called for December 11; Finland Seeks Moral Support

Geneva, Dec. 3.

To study Finland's appeal against Soviet invasion, M. Joseph Avenol, the Secretary-General of the League of Nations, today summoned the Council to meet on Saturday, December 9, and the Assembly to meet on Monday, December 11.

The Finnish appeal for League intervention reads:—"The U.S.S.R., with whom Finland maintained good relationships since the peace treaty of Tartu in 1920 and with whom she signed a non-aggression treaty which was to expire only in 1945, suddenly attacked on November 30 not only our frontiers, but our open towns, thus carrying death and desolation in the midst of the civilian population, chiefly by air attacks. Finland never ceased to exert her greatest efforts to maintain peace with her powerful neighbour. But taking as a pretext the alleged Mainill incident and alleged Finnish refusal to agree to reinforcement of Leningrad's security, the U.S.S.R. first denounced her non-aggression pact with Finland and then rejected Finnish proposals to submit to mediation by a neutral power. Finland therefore begs the Secretary-General of the League of Nations to summon immediately both the Council and Assembly by virtue of Articles XI and XV of the Covenant and to ask them to take all measures to stop Soviet aggression."

Moral Support Desired

In making her appeal to the League of Nations, Finland does not expect material aid against Soviet aggression but wishes simply to draw the attention of the world to her sad plight and secure moral support in her fight, it was declared here today. Helsinki probably hopes, it was stated, that the League Assembly will recommend rupture of diplomatic relations between member nations and the U.S.S.R. by virtue of Article XVI of the Covenant.

Speculation centred about the question of whether Soviet Russia would send a delegate to the December 9 and all sessions. If she does not, it will be tantamount to withdrawal from the League. If she does, she is liable to be publicly condemned and possibly expelled.

French Stand Undecided

Paris, Dec. 4.

Official circles here are maintaining complete reserve regarding Finland's appeal to the League of Nations. All member states, it is pointed out, must be consulted before a Council meeting and France has not yet taken up her position.—Reuter.

Soviets May Withdraw

Copenhagen, Dec. 4.

The Soviet Union has decided to leave the League of Nations immediately it starts discussing the Finnish question, according to a report received here today from Riga.—Reuter.

M. Maisky May Not Attend

London, Dec. 4.

M. Ivan Maisky, Russian Ambassador in London, does not intend to go to Geneva to preside at the League of Nations Council meeting next Saturday, it was understood today. M. Jacob Souritz, Soviet Ambassador in Paris, is expected to take his place.

M. Maisky has recently been indisposed, but the Press Association said it was "understood that M. Maisky's decision is not due to his illness which is not serious."—United Press.

Italy May Define Stand

London, Dec. 4.

When the League Council meets on Saturday, London diplomatic circles expect Italy to define her attitude. Italy technically ceases to be a member of the League on December 11, but she may consequently attend the meetings on December 9 and 10 and her attendance or otherwise will give important indications as to the evolution of her Foreign policy.

During this session of the League, Latvia is a member of the Council and, although this country is today practically under Soviet domination, she nevertheless conserves a theoretic sovereignty as far as her foreign policy is concerned.

Another point being studied here at present, is that of the presidency of the League's Council which should be assumed by Yugoslavia but Belgrade refused and this duty now falls on Belgium.

The countries to be represented at the Council will be Belgium, Bolivia, China, the Dominican Republic, France, Great Britain, Greece, Iran, Italy, Latvia, New Zealand, Peru, Sweden, Soviet Russia and Yugoslavia.

The meeting of the League Assembly which will follow that of the Council will be presided over by Mr. Eamon de Valera, the Prime Minister of Eire until new elections take place.

It has been impossible so far to learn whether or not Soviet Russia will be represented on December 9.—Havas.

Nazi-Red Pact To Divide Up East Europe

Understanding May Exist; General War Feared as Result

Washington, Dec. 3.

The view prevails in official circles here that an understanding exists between Herr Hitler and M. Stalin regarding their respective spheres of influence in Northern Europe. It is felt, however, that Berlin may feel chagrined at the clumsy manner in which M. Stalin is extending the Soviet sphere of influence.

Germany, many observers think, is likely to suffer for three reasons:

1. Soviet Russia is using up war supplies which the Reich expected would be available for her;

2. Because the Finnish war is alleged to be revealing serious weaknesses in the Red Army, casting doubts on the value of Soviet military aid to Germany;

3. Because the Russian attack on Finland has aroused violent indignation against totalitarian states among neutrals, including the United States.—Reuter.

War May Become General

London, Dec. 3.

What is the European War today will become the Second World War if Germany and Soviet Russia take joint action against the Scandinavian or Balkan countries to secure the raw materials they both need, British political quarters declared today.

If Soviet invasion of Finland indeed is carried out in agreement with the Reich and if the two dictatorships reach an agreement to divide zones of influence in Sweden and Norway, the Allies would be compelled to offer opposition. If the Atlantic seaboard of Norway is threatened by either or both the aggressor nations or if Germany and Russia extend their sphere of activities to south-eastern Europe, the Allies would have to take action, it was stated.

Special circumstances will determine the actual type of operations in which Britain and France may be engaged because, these British quarters pointed out, if Germany simply exerts military pressure against the Scandinavian countries and they took no step against it, the Allies, in strict pursuance of international law, will have to stand aside. If any military threat is resisted by the victims, such will be opposed by the Allies, it was declared here.

Rumania Chiefly Endangered

Soviet-German aggression today menaces not only the northern lands, but also the agriculturally and mineral rich lands of central and south-eastern Europe, especially the wheat-covered province of Bessarabia, the oilfields of all Rumania. Action against Rumania might be taken, it was said, with Germany advancing to the Carpathian Mountains and Russia driving forward along the shores of the Black Sea. The U.S.S.R., in execution of such a scheme for conquest, probably would take advantage of Bulgaria's Friendly Attitude towards her.

The Anglo-French-Turkish mutual aid pact bars the way to fruitful aggression in the south-east, it was pointed out here, for if Ankara says the word, the Allies will place their forces along the Eastern Front to defend the interests of peaceful, independent countries.

Anglo-French troops in Syria, Palestine, Egypt and North Africa could easily allow for the creation of an Eastern Front considering that such a front was formed during the First World War—when Turkey was fighting against the Allies.

Rumours that internal dissatisfaction in Germany, particularly in naval quarters, with Soviet Russia's rapid extension of influence in Europe, may cause renewal of German propaganda to "stop the war and fight in common against Bolshevism," met here with unanimous scepticism. British political quarters asserted that although such a propaganda drive may be launched by Joseph Goebbels' publicity offices, it will have no results.—Havas.

Italy Plans to Intervene

Rome, Dec. 4.

Authoritative Fascist quarters yesterday said Italy would intervene if Russia attempts to duplicate her Baltic policy in the Balkans.

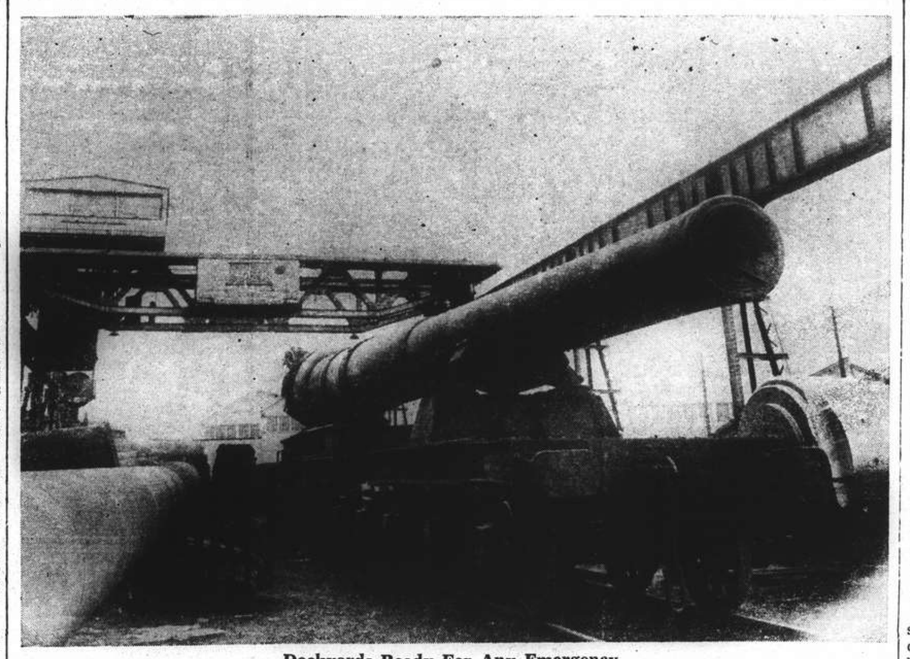
The Turin paper, "La Stampa," seeking to explain Germany's passive attitude over the invasion of Finland, reported from Berne that Germany and Russia have already agreed to divide Rumania. Italy would intervene at any cost, authoritative Fascists said but did not divulge if Italy would actually go to war or lend aid by supplying legions as in Spain.—United Press

Allies Refused to "Make Deal"

London, Dec. 4.

Britain and France's refusal to deal in the sovereignty of Russia's small neighbours led to the breakdown of the talks between Britain, France and the Soviet at Moscow, it is now revealed by authoritative quarters in London.

According to this statement, the Soviet insisted that Britain and France should induce the Baltic countries and Finland to grant naval bases on the islands of Oesel and Dago and the Aaland Islands, but the Allies refused.—Reuter.



Dockyards Ready For Any Emergency

Should the British Navy need new guns—which would become necessary after a heavy naval action—British dockyard establishments are ready with spares. Here is a 15-inch in the "gunyard" in Britain. A battleship is able to complete refitting of new guns in a remarkably short time.

Finland Ready to Negotiate

M. Ryti Tells U.S. of Will to Remain Free; Sweden Now Mediating

London, Dec. 4.

The Finnish news agency announces that M. Risto Ryti's Cabinet decided on Sunday to endeavour to obtain an amicable settlement with Soviet Russia.

Such a settlement, it was hoped, might be possible without violating the independence and vital interests of Finland.

The Soviet Government was approached through the Swedish Legation in Moscow, but so far there has been no reply.—Reuter.

Finns Ready for Parleys

New York, Dec. 4.

"I will only say that the Finnish Government is still ready to negotiate, regarding the demands presented to us, to the utmost limit which it can without violating either our independence or policy of neutrality," declared M. Risto Ryti, the Finnish Premier, in a broadcast to the United States today.

He stressed that nobody had promised to help Finland nor advised her to fight with promises of assistance.

"Events simply led to an armed struggle for the defence of our liberty," he said.—Reuter.

Finland Determined

Helsinki, Dec. 4.

The Prime Minister, M. Risto Ryti, in a radio broadcast to the United States at 1.20 a.m. today said that Finland was determined to defend her neutrality and independence.

Although there might be the question if a nation of 4,000,000 could hold out against one of 180,000,000, Finland was determined to protect herself against aggression and her fight would act as an inspiration to right-thinking nations, the Premier said.—United Press.

Moscow Knows Nothing

Moscow, Dec. 4.

Soviet officials said last night that "nothing is known here" of the Finnish inquiry as to Russia's willingness to open negotiations for a peaceful settlement of the Russo-Finnish war.—United Press.

Sweden Admits Mediation

Stockholm, Dec. 3.

The new Ryti Government of Finland decided to make yet one more attempt to avoid large-scale war with Soviet Russia and asked Sweden to forward a set of new terms to the Kremlin, the Swedish Radio reported tonight. The Swedish Minister in Moscow, M. Wilhelm Winther, was entrusted by the Swedish Government, it was stated, to make a démarche to the Soviet Government and find out whether the U.S.S.R. would still be ready to engage in parleys.—Havas.

Women, Children Landed From Scuttled Ship

S. African Air Force Bombers Intercept German Vessel

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Capetown, Dec. 4.

Forty-three passengers, including fourteen women and two children, and 155 members of the crew, were landed yesterday from the German liner Watussi, scuttled south of Cape Point on Saturday.

The Watussi (9,521 tons) was scuttled after she had been intercepted by South African Air Force bombers. When the war broke out the liner took refuge at Mozambique, and on November 23 made a night dash from the port.—Reuter.

U.S. Public Opinion Pressing for Recall Of Ambassador from Moscow

Pressure Put on President to Act; Finland Replies Agreeing to Refrain from Bombing Civilian Areas

Washington, Dec. 4.

Pressure on the Government for the recall of the United States Ambassador to Russia, Mr. Lawrence Steinhardt, in retaliation for the Russian invasion of Finland increased yesterday.

President Roosevelt and the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, conferred on the subject and a decision is expected to be reached this week. Mr. Hull spent Sunday morning at his office reading the latest code messages from Europe. He telephoned the gist of the messages to the President.

The pressure on President Roosevelt to break all diplomatic relations with Russia increased after Senator William H. King, Democrat of Utah, and Representative Martin Dies, Democrat of Texas, made statements urging complete rupture of diplomatic ties. Their statements followed the statement made by the former President, Mr. Herbert Hoover, who urged the recall of the American Ambassador.

Douglas Aircraft and Republic Aircraft announced they would abide by the moral embargo against the sale of American planes to Russia.

The President of Finland, M. Kyosti Kallio, replied yesterday to President Roosevelt's Note requesting that Russia and Finland refrain from bombing civilian areas. The Finnish President said Finland would refrain from such action if the Russians did likewise.—United Press.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu Dies in Peiping from Septicaemia

China's Patriot and Outstanding Military Man Succumbs After Operation on Decayed Tooth

Peiping, Dec. 4.

MARSHAL Wu Pei-fu, outstanding Chinese military figure before the advent of the Kuomintang regime a decade ago, died here at 7 o'clock this evening from septicaemia caused by a decaying tooth. An emergency operation on his jaw carried out by Japanese and German doctors this afternoon was unsuccessful. He was 67.

He had been living in retirement in his residence at the Shihchih Huanyen here since 1927 when he was defeated at Wuchang by the Nationalist Revolutionary Army under Gen. Chiang Kai-shek. Marshal Wu was a native of Penglai in Shantung.—Domei.

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Marshal Wu Pei-fu was recently offered a prominent post in the "reformed government" in Peiping, but agreed only on the one condition that the new government would be independent in its policy and subsequently refused the post, although for some time the Japanese authorities had coupled his name with the proposed "central government" of China. The Marshal was a warlord of Chihli, Shantung and Honan whose power was broken when he was defeated by the Nationalist Revolutionary Army in 1927 on its march northward from Canton.

The Marshal was of the school of China's warriors and was more the artist of the brush with great knowledge of ancient Chinese literature and poetry from which he derived his science of war although he ranked in his time among the most brilliant of the Chinese generals.

His personal integrity made him stand out from his comperes.

Graduate of Peiyang

Born in 1872, Marshal Wu Pei-fu joined the Army at the age of 40 after graduating from the Peiyang War Academy at Tientsin from which had come so many of the nation's most famous soldiers. His rise to fame was slow in coming for he only came known throughout China when he was ordered in 1915 to suppress a revolt in the province of Yunnan arising from Yuan Shih-kai's claim to a monarchy. Some years later he was made the instrument for crushing General Chang Chun's efforts to restore the monarchy. Becoming a general in 1919 he was ordered by the Peking Central Government to march against the Canton Southern Government. In this commission for which he held the rank of General he began the peace movement to bring together the northern and southern regimes. Gen. Feng Yu-hsiang, often called the "Christian General," came to an alliance with Marshal Wu in 1924 to combat the Manchurian forces under Marshal Chang Tso-lin, father of the "Young Marshal," who figured in the Sian revolt against Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

Betrayed by Gen. Feng

Marshal Chang Tso-lin was at that time striving to gain control of Peking and Marshal Wu, who then held the ancient capital, went to meet the invader. In his absence General Feng betrayed his master, leading to the defeat of Marshal Wu who retreated into Hupeh. Two years later he defeated the traitor Feng.

In 1927 when the Cantonese forces under Gen. Chiang Kai-shek began their expeditionary march northward Marshal Wu Pei-fu became Commander-in-Chief of the allied Anti-Red Army. China's Generalissimo defeated the Peking armies decisively at Wuchang in Hupeh. The Marshal first retired to Szechuan and later to Peiping where he exercised his exceptional talent for Chinese poetry, painting and calligraphy.

German Troops Mass on Hungarian Border

Bucharest, Dec. 3.

German troops today were concentrated along Hungary's frontiers and the General Staff of the German forces in Slovakia established headquarters at Prosov, near the Carpathian Ukraine, reports confirmed tonight.—Havas.

American-Japanese Discussions

Mr. Joseph Grew Confers With Admiral Nomura for Nearly Two Hours

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

The whole field of Japanese and American relations was mutually discussed in a constructive atmosphere by Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador to Tokyo, and Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Foreign Minister, in a conference which lasted one hour and 45 minutes today.

Both Mr. Grew and Admiral Nomura after the conference said that they had discussed United States and Japanese issues. Both declined, however, to make any comments on the conference which was held in the official residence of the Foreign Minister and not in his office.

Japanese sources asserted that the conference included a discussion of the situation arising from the forthcoming expiration of the abrogated American-Japanese commercial treaty. Admiral Nomura, they said, raised the question of *modus vivendi*. This version, however, was lacking official confirmation at present.

The Japanese press also speculated on the possibility of the Foreign Minister making assurances relative to Japan's attitude toward the Soviet Union, specially pertaining to Japan's desire to exclude a non-aggression pact with the Soviets despite a general rapproachment in their relations.

Mr. Grew carried a small dispatch case, similar to the one he had with him during the first conference recently with the Foreign Minister. It was assumed that the American Ambassador presented various memoranda to the Foreign Minister.

Pending Issues Included

The conference, it was understood, included some pending issues on which progress and adjustment had been made.

Further conferences between Admiral Nomura and Mr. Grew are expected, although at present definite dates for the meetings have not been announced or arranged.

In connection with the conference, it was understood that the Japanese were making further efforts to settle some pending China issues on which there would possibly be an announcement soon either in Washington or Tokyo.

Japanese quarters attached importance to the last-minute transfer of today's conference from the Gaimusho to the residence of the Foreign Minister. They asserted that the transfer added significance in that the conference was removed from routine classification.—United Press.

Approaches to U.S. Made by Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Considerable importance is attached by well-informed quarters here to an interview today between Admiral Nomura, and Mr. Joseph C. Grew, which took place at the Foreign Office.

The American Ambassador was invited to call at the Foreign Office by Admiral Nomura and arrived at 2.30 p.m. They were closetted together for more than an hour and a half, and Mr. Grew did not leave until 4.15 p.m.

The interview is given much play by the Japanese press. The "Nichi Nichi" reports that they discussed possibilities of a *modus vivendi* under which Japan would enjoy "the most favoured nation treatment" following the lapse of the Japanese-American Trade Treaty on January 26.

Well-informed quarters, however, doubt whether matters have reached such a stage. Nevertheless, they attach significance to the fact that Japan has made the first approaches. They are of the opinion that this marks realization of the gravity of the situation that is likely to arise with the lapse of the Trade Treaty.—Reuter.

Foreign Ministers Of Baltic States to Confer

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Tallinn, Dec. 4.

Foreign Ministers of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia will meet here for a conference on Thursday and Friday. Principal topic of discussion, it is stated, will be the economic situation. Foreign trade, in connection with the belligerents' economic warfare, will be especially considered.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Bombers Hit Two Reich Cruisers at Heligoland

British Raiders Shoot Down Messerschmidt and Return Safely; Coast Patrol Sinks Big U-Boat

London, Dec. 4.

TWO cruisers were among the German warships successfully attacked during the British air raid on Heligoland, it is learned from official circles here. One of the cruisers is said to have suffered a direct hit. The cruisers were lying close to a flotilla of six or seven destroyers, the leader of the attacking planes afterwards reported. When he ordered an attack, heavy anti-aircraft fire was opened up and one of the British aircraft fell out of formation. Afterwards the plane regained height and returned home with the others. There were no casualties among the R.A.F. personnel. A number of photographs were obtained during the bombing.

A strong formation of R.A.F. bombers attacked the German warships at Heligoland, obtaining direct hits with heavy bombs, the Air Ministry announced last night. All the British machines returned safely while one Messerschmidt, the only German aircraft encountered, was shot down. The announcement further adds that a coastal reconnaissance plane, in a surprise attack, destroyed a German submarine yesterday.

Describing how the submarine was sunk, the announcement says the pilot of the plane was about 150 miles from land when he sighted a minute object on the horizon, about eight miles away. With binoculars he was able to satisfy himself that it was a German submarine, apparently of the ocean-going type.

So that he might approach unobserved, the pilot climbed into a cloudbank, and, thus hidden, the plane approached its quarry.

Direct Hit on Big U-Boat

Too late the U-boat crew heard the aircraft engines. The plane swooped on the target and released its bombs. Before the submarine could submerge a direct hit was scored, a bomb exploding at the base of the conning-tower.

The aircraft remained over the scene for about five minutes looking for survivors, but none were seen. Before the pilot eturned to his base he noticed a long, oval patch of bubbling, foaming water covering the spot where the U-boat had submerged.

Two members of the Cabinet, Sir Samuel Hoare, Lord Privy Seal, and Lord Hankey, Minister Without Portfolio, were visiting the R.A.F. Coastal Command headquarters when a wireless message announcing the destruction of the submarine was received from the aircraft.

The Swedish collier Rudolf, bound for Malmo from Hartlepool, was sunk by a mine off the English coast today. It is understood that the entire crew took to lifeboats before the ship sank.

A British steamer, the Eskdene, sank today after striking a mine. The crew of 29 landed at a Scottish port. The ship was of 3,329 tons.—Reuter.

German Statement

Berlin, Dec. 4.

"Owing to the heavy anti-aircraft fire the enemy were only able to drop a few bombs, which did very slight material damage. One fishing-boat was sunk." This statement is made in a second communique issued here dealing with the British air raid on Heligoland. The first communique had merely admitted a raid was carried out.—Reuter.

French Ship Strikes Mine

Paris, Dec. 3.

Two men were killed today when the French ship Florida, 7,030 tons, struck a German mine not far from the coast of France. The vessel, built in 1921 and owned by the Compagnie Générale Transatlantique, succeeded in reaching the coast near a port.—Havas.

Patrols Active on West Front

Paris, Dec. 4.

"Nothing of importance to report" states today's communique on the fighting on the Western Front.

A communique issued last night says the day on the Western Front was "quiet as a whole, with patrol activity at various points."—Reuter.

French Dig New Positions

Berlin, Dec. 4.

The German High Command announced last night that French forces were digging additional positions between the Rhine and Moselle rivers and that artillery and machine-gun fire had been directed against the French positions. French batteries also were said to be shelling several German sectors.—United Press.

King George Lands In France

London, Dec. 4.

King George VI arrived this afternoon in France and disembarked from a British destroyer, the Government officially announced this evening. King George plans a personal tour of the British sector and will inspect the troops.—United Press.

Britain Takes 140 U-Boat Captives

November Shipping Losses Mere Third of September's; Naval Position Assessed

London, Dec. 4.

The Admiralty announced last night that a number of prisoners from German U-boats were landed at a Scottish port during the week-end. Their capture, it was added, was the result of recent naval operations.

Britain has taken 140 U-boat prisoners, according to an authoritative statement issued here today. The statement claims that 33 German merchantmen have now been put out of action with a total tonnage of 171,390 tons.

Approximately 410 British lives were lost through the sinking of merchantmen, while only four Germans lost their lives and that was through gun-fire from their own U-boat which attacked a German ship.

Since the outbreak of the war sixteen German merchant ships, with a tonnage of 59,754 have been captured by British forces, it is claimed in an official statement issued last night. The French, it is added, have captured three German merchantmen, with a tonnage of 16,122, while fifteen, totalling 69,425 tons, have been sunk or scuttled. Thus the total tonnage of the German merchant ships claimed to have been captured or sunk is 145,301.

In the week ending December 2, Britain lost 23,282 tons of shipping, representing six ships sunk. Neutral countries also lost six ships, with a tonnage of 30,932 tons. The tonnage lost in November was one third of that for September and this great decrease, it is claimed, may be attributed to the fact that methods for mine-sweeping are more and more effective and the Germans are being prevented from sowing as many mines.

A secret method for dealing with magnetic mines sown by aeroplanes, it is stated, is gradually being increasingly used and is proving very satisfactory.

Though it is difficult to estimate the number of U-boats actually sunk, it is asserted by authoritative circles that they are being sunk at a much more rapid rate than the Germans can build new ones.—Reuter.

Five U-Boats in Few Days

London, Dec. 4.

British forces have accounted for at least five and possibly six U-boats in the past few days, it was learned today.

A check showed that a German submarine was destroyed by airplanes in the North Sea today. The crew perished. Another U-boat was "caught" in the British Channel recently and all of the crew was landed. A third submarine was wrecked by a warship, but the survivors were landed in a Scottish port. The fourth underseas craft was destroyed by a warship which was given a tip by a fishing smack. An Admiralty trawler sent the fifth submarine to the bottom, and another trawler was responsible for damaging and possibly destroying a sixth German U-boat.

The closeness of the underseas craft to the shore in some of the engagements indicated that the Germans were attempting to penetrate British coastal defence for the purpose of either torpedoing ships entering or leaving ports or laying mines in approaches to ports.

Coastal Watchers Thrilled

Hundreds of people of coast towns and villages on Saturday were treated to thrilling sights. After the shore batteries had gone into action, warships, minesweepers and scouting craft zig-zagged, dropping depth charges at intervals and these sent huge waterspouts high into the air.

After a short while observers declared they saw the tail of a submarine rise from the water and disappear after a few seconds.—United Press.

Lord Halifax Has New Chief Secretary

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 4.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, announced today that he has appointed Mr. Ralph Skrine Stevenson to be his principal private secretary, in succession to Mr. Oliver Harvey, who has been appointed British Minister in Paris.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 4 7/16d. U.S.$ 7 7/16c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Dec. 4.

Forward silver prices advanced slightly today, the quotations being:

	Dec. 1	Dec. 4
London spot	23½d.	23½d.
" forward	23⅝d.	23 11/16d.
" gold	168/-	168/-

London/New York:

	Dec. 2 close	Dec. 4 1 p.m.
One pound U.S.	$4.0200	$4.0200
One U.S. dollar	59.701d.	59.701d.

—Reuter.

Allied 'Double Blockade' Comes into Effect

German South American Markets Chiefly Hit

London, Dec. 4.

Britain's double blockade of Germany will begin tonight for the purpose of depriving Germany of £100,000,000 in foreign exchange annually by seizing her exports.

Early protests against the new blockade subsided late last week after Britain informed neutral powers that she intends to avoid depriving them of vital German exports such as the shipment of German arms and munitions to Japan while they are vital in the prosecution of Japan's war in China.

Britain intends, however, to halt all German trade with the Americas. German trade with the United States prior to the outbreak of the European war had practically vanished so that the main effects of the British blockade will be felt in South America.—United Press.

Death Of X-Ray Pioneer

Paris, Dec. 4.

Professor Vaillant, a pioneer in X-ray, died here today.—Reuter.

British Authorities Take Grave View of Attack

Chinese Girl Dies of Wounds Inflicted During Assault on Unarmed East Surrey Men

THE British military and Consular authorities are taking a very serious view of Sunday night's incident in the Western district in which a British soldier and a British civilian were seized by the "Special Municipality" police and held at 13 Jessfield Road for nearly three hours, it was ascertained yesterday.

Fifteen or more shots were fired at unarmed British soldiers by "Municipality" policemen and one of these shots caused the death, shortly before noon yesterday, of Tsang Vung-dee, 18-year-old Chinese factory worker, a native of Zangzoh. The girl was wounded by a rifle charge which went clear through her abdomen and she died despite an emergency operation performed at midnight in the Chinese Red Cross Hospital.

Observers expressed surprise yesterday that none of the British soldiers was hit as the cafe entrance where they were attacked was peppered with bullets.

It is possible that the affair will be made the subject of diplomatic representations after the British authorities have completed their investigations. Protests are to be made to the proper officials here.

The "North-China Daily News," whose representative visited the scene shortly after the shooting, learned yesterday that an altercation between members of the East Surrey Regiment on leave and a "Special Municipality" policeman, outside May Lee Court in Great Western Road, had preceded the attack by about an hour.

Policeman Hit on Head

Approximately at 9 p.m. an East Surrey man who had been celebrating is said to have been involved in a fight with a "Municipality" policeman in the course of which the latter received a laceration of the forehead. It has been definitely established that the soldier concerned was not the Pte. Peel who was forcibly seized by the "Municipality" police more than an hour later, and that neither Peel nor the young British civilian who was "arrested" with him had had any connection with the original row.

Some fifteen of the "Special Municipality" police carrying rifles and led by an officer (Chinese) who wielded a Mauser pistol, after the shooting outside the Busy Bee Café, went to Jackie's Fish and Chip Shop next door, smashed the door, threatened the Danish proprietor with a Mauser, and searched the rooms on the ground and first floors. It was these men who found and seized Pte. Peel and the other Briton and marched them off to 13 Jessfield Road.

Negotiate for Men's Release

As was further stated in the "North-China Daily News," the two Britons were kept in custody at 13 Jessfield Road until 1 a.m., S. R. Hunt, British Liaison Officer with the Japanese Forces; and Mr. R. W. Yorke, Assistant Commissioner of Police, conferred with Chinese and Japanese officials. While this conference was in progress sixteen members of the East Surrey Regiment, in steel helmets and holding rifles with bayonets fixed, stood guard outside 13 Jessfield Road under the command of a lieutenant. Drawn up opposite the gate was a military lorry mounted with a Bren machine-gun, trained on the entrance.

Throughout the long vigil, a stalwart member of the British regiment did yeoman service directing the constant flow of traffic along Jessfield Road, while the "Special Municipality" men kept, for once, in the background.

Lieut.-Col G. E. Swinton, commanding the 2nd Batt. The East Surrey Regiment, visited the scene of the attack in Great Western Road early and placed the two cafés out of bounds to his men.

Japanese Give Version

The Japanese Embassy spokesman at the press conference yesterday evening said that the version of the incident which appeared in the "North-China Daily News" yesterday was incorrect and that the actual facts were contrary to the report given by this journal. According to the spokesman, three British soldiers and one civilian approached a patrol of "Special Municipality" police at 9.30 p.m. on Sunday. One of the soldiers went up to a policeman and said he wanted the policeman's rifle. The group appeared to be under the influence of liquor.

When the policeman refused to give up his weapon, the spokesman continued, the British soldier seized the rifle and in the ensuing struggle the rifle fell on the ground and was discharged. The two companions of the policeman fired in the air and the three British soldiers and the civilian began to run away. During the chase one soldier and the civilian fled into a cafe.

The "Special Municipality" police then turned out a squad and surrounded the café, according to the spokesman. The police entered the premises and apprehended the two men, neither of whom they ascertained, was the individual who had approached the policeman with the request to play with his rifle. At 1 a.m., Major Hunt arrived and the soldier and the civilian were handed over to him, the spokesman said.

Nanning Recapture Chinese Objective

Infantry, Artillery Units Take Up Positions; Planes Bomb Kweilin Again

Chungking, Dec. 4.

Chinese infantry and artillery units are rapidly taking up positions in southern Kwangsi, in preparation for a large-scale offensive to recapture Nanning, according to latest Chinese field dispatches.

Prior to launching the main offensive, the Chinese force are at present reported to be making preliminary attacks against the Japanese flanks and rear.

It is reported that one Chinese column has already reached the outskirts of Fancheng, while another unit is attacking Yamchow, after having cut the highway between Nanning and Yamchow.

Japanese aircraft yesterday continued their raids on Kwangsi cities, both Pingyang and Liuchow being bombed.—Reuter.

Japanese Driving Farther Inland

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Since the occupation of Nanning Japanese forces have succeeded in maintaining an effective line of communication between the city and the coast while driving farther inland, according to a field dispatch from South China today.

Describing desperate efforts of Chinese troops to recapture Nanning, the message said about ten divisions were concentrated at Luwu, Pinyang, Wuming and other places, while guerillas south of Nanning were attempting to attack the Japanese lines from the rear.

A large number of Chinese attacked Nachen, about 40 km. south of Nanning, but were repulsed with heavy losses, according to the field dispatch.

Japanese troops were keeping communications open to the coast by repairing highways which were destroyed by the Chinese before they retreated.—Domei.

Bombs Dropped On Kweilin

Hongkong, Dec. 4.

Japanese planes bombed Kweilin on Sunday morning for the third successive day, dropping more than 40 missiles in several relays, according to a General News Agency dispatch.

Japanese aircraft also attacked Pingyang, Liuchow and several other Kwangsi towns yesterday morning and Kweihsien yesterday afternoon, the message said.—Domei.

Chinese Re-occupy Huangkang

Chungking, Dec. 4.

Fighting between Japanese and Chinese troops is taking place on the Fukien-Kwangtung border, near Chaoan, according to reports received here.

Some time ago, Japanese forces at Swatow advanced inland towards Fukien, along the highway to Chaoan.

After occupying Huangkang, the Japanese launched an attack on Fengshuikwan, on the Fukien border.

The main body of Chinese forces then withdrew to the outskirts of Chaoan, while another Chinese column at Jaoping is said to have attacked the Japanese rear and reoccupied Huangkang on December 1.—Reuter.

New Chinese Air Base Raided

Maintaining intensive activity in Kwangsi, Japanese naval aircraft on Saturday and Sunday attacked a newly established Chinese aerodrome, military stores, defensive positions and other strategic establishments, the Japanese China Seas Fleet announced yesterday.

Overcoming a strong anti-aircraft fire, the communiqué said, Japanese naval bombers on Saturday succeeded in releasing their entire bomb loads upon the new airfield at Yining, 15 km. northwest of Kweilin, the Kwangsi provincial capital. Heavy damage was inflicted upon those objectives, the announcement started.

Heavy damage was inflicted on Sunday upon the strategic town of Chienkiang, north of Nanning, and other points in southern Kwangsi, as a resut of air raids, the announcement stated.

Typhoon Threatening Manila

Severe Damage Wrought in South-East Provinces

Manila, Dec. 4.

An intense, slow-moving typhoon has been ravaging the south-east provinces during the past 36 hours. The damage to property and crops is estimated at over 2,000,000 pesos.

The typhoon is at present almost stationery, about 90 miles to the south-east of Manila, which is now threatened.

Shipping in the harbour is at a standstill and many offices have closed down early in order to allow their staffs to reach home in safety.

The Weather Bureau is not able to state exactly when the typhoon is expected to hit Manila, but the No. 4 signal has been up since yesterday.—Reuter.

Two Japanese Fight For Finland

Helsinki, Dec. 4.

Two Japanese were seen today by a United Press correspondent among the volunteers fighting for Finland.—United Press.

Institute of Pacific Relations

Dr. Jessup Thinks Allied Position in East Jeopardized

Virginia Beach, Va., Dec. 4.

The research committee of the Institute of Pacific Relations yesterday discussed Far Eastern problems. The Institute's conference opened here on Saturday with 120 delegates from all parts of the United States and the Far East attending.

Dr. Phillip C. Jessup, authority on international law, reiterated the Institute's findings that British and French positions in the Far East had been seriously weakened by their preoccupation in Europe.

The Sino-Japanese war, he added, will probably result in a stalemate because of Russia's diplomatic position. The Soviet Union and the United States are the only Powers of a parallel programme of studying the effect of the European war on Pacific countries' relations and also who are in position to intervene in the Sino-Japanese war with a decisive effect, Dr. Jessup said.

Dr. Carl Alsberg of the University of California stressed the importance a long-term study of living conditions in Pacific countries.—United Press.

Resting Before Returning to Front

Tanks are lined up at French field headquarters "somewhere in France," before returning to the front where they have already covered themselves with glory. The brief respite was made more pleasant for the members of this unit, as they were decorated for heroic work in the war. Many visitors, who arrived in the cars which may be seen in the picture, attended the short but solemn ceremony.

Finns Inflict Heavy Losses on Invaders

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official Soviet newspaper. "The retreating enemy are leaving behind machine-gunners and snipers, concealed in bushes and crevices" the paper adds. "Railway bridges and empty houses all conceal mines, as well as snipers."

One correspondent, in a report published here yesterday, accused the Finns of having used poison gas.—Reuter.

Moscow Claims

Moscow, Dec. 4.

Moscow radio stations last night admitted that Finnish troops were stubbornly resisting the Red invasion of Finland but said that Soviet troops were still advancing and routing the Finnish legions.

The official Government organ, "Pravda," alleged yesterday that the Finns were using poison gas and had done so from the first day of hostilities. The paper confirmed reports that the Red Fleet had shelled the south Finnish coast.

An official communique last night said Soviet forces had occupied Seiskaari, Lavamsaari and Tutesaam islands in the Gulf of Finland and later the radio stations said Terioki had been captured last week by the Russians. The populace of Terioki was alleged to have welcomed Soviet troops to the city. Red engineers discovered Finnish mines planted under the city's important buildings and also unearthed a "huge arms dump," the announcement said.

Roads over Frozen Swamps

Near Petozavodsk, Soviet troops built roads on frozen swamps and advanced between 40 and 45 kilometres from the frontier, the communique said. Troops fighting in the Karelian Isthmus advanced from 30 to 40 kilometres from the frontier and have occupied Muustam and the Yaks railroad station, the announcement continued. There were no air fights because of bad weather.

A map of Finland published by the Moscow press indicates that Finnish territory ceded to Russia by the "Peoples Government" of M. Otto Kuusinen covers an area 75 kilometres from the old border on Lake Ladoga to Koivisto, apparently including the Mannerheim line.

Reports from Terioki, seat of the rebel Finnish regime recognized by Russia, said the first Communist mass meeting there had adopted a resolution supporting M. Otto Kuusinen, Communist Premier and Foreign Minister. The mass meeting was said to have condemned "the traitors Tanner, Kajander and other hangmen and tyrants."—United Press.

Finns Claim New Victories

Helsinki, Dec. 4.

Aided by a blinding snow storm, Finnish troops reported new victories along a 750-mile front last night after the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Viano Tanner, pleaded in a radio address that "Finland is fighting for the defence of all Western culture against the Russian terror." "I think Finland should have not only the sympathy of the rest of the world, but also effective help," he said.

Forty thousand Finnish troops were understood to be holding out successfully on the Karelain peninsula against 70,000 Russian troops. Sixteen Russian tanks were reported to have been captured and destroyed on Saturday. Bad weather aided the Finns by slowing up Russian advances and bringing aerial activity to a virtual standstill.

The newspaper "Sanomat" reported yesterday that exploding mines had caused civilians to conclude erroneously that Finnish artillery had fired upon the Russian fortress at Kronstadt. Hundreds of Russian soldiers were reported to have been killed by land mines planted at Terioki by the Finnish forces before their withdrawal last Friday.

All Finnish Schools Closed

Schools throughout Finland were dismissed yesterday and the buildings were converted into first aid stations. Almost 250,000 persons have evacuated Helsinki, reducing the city's population to less than 100,000. Those remaining in Helsinki were gathering nerve again yesterday after reading leaflets from the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Viacheslav Molotov, threatening to launch a mass raid by 800 planes on Helsinki unless Finland surrenders. The leaflets were dropped by Soviet planes on Saturday.

Members of the Soviet legation and the German colony are expected to evacuate today by boat-and new air raids are feared following their departure.

The Finnish Government was expected to evacuate over the weekend but it was learned it has decided to remain in Helsinki until every civilian subject to evacuation has left the city. The city's streets were heavy with traffic as the evacuation of civilians continued systematically under a well-organized plan.—United Press.

Soviet Landing Prevented

Oslo, Dec. 3.

Soviet forces made repeated attempts today to land on the Finnish northern coast, but failed against heavy machine-gun fire, it was reported here from Kirkenaes. There was strong artillery action.

Finnish troops were busy today rebuilding the bridges they had destroyed before withdrawing from Petsamo, which they recaptured two days ago.—Havas.

Raiders Wait Till Germans Go

Stockholm, Dec. 3.

Soviet warplanes curtailed operations over Finland today to permit German citizens to evacuate peaceably, a Helsinki report stated today. The German steamer Donau is to leave with evacuees tomorrow. When German citizens leave Finland, extensive raids are expected, it was said, and industrial centres, ports and other important towns doubtlessly will be bombed.

Concentration of Soviet troops along the whole length of the Finnish frontier continued this evening and the Finnish Fleet was reported to be gathered, ready for action, between Hango Island and Tallinn.

Marshal Baron Karl von Mannerheim, Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish Army, spoke to his officers today and was reported to have told them, without hiding facts, that "Finland can lose everything but her honour."—Havas.

Germans, Italians Leave

London, Dec. 4.

The German steamer Donau, sent to evacuate German nationals from Finland, left Helsinki today, according to the German wireless. The vessel was carrying several hundred Germans, 150 Italians and 40 members of the Russian Embassy.—Reuter.

Soviet Airwoman Shot Down

Berne, Dec. 3.

The body of a young woman was found in a Soviet warplane shot down by Finnish anti-aircraft batteries after it had mercilessly machine-gunned Finnish civilians in Helsinki, the "Basler Nachrichten" and "Neue Zurcher Zeitung" reported today. The plane's machine-gun bullets had claimed some twenty victims, mostly women and children, the Stockholm correspondent of the Basle newspaper asserted. The other Swiss newspaper threw some more light on the subject, revealing that the plane when shot down was over Finnish Karelia.

All Swiss newspapers, in sympathetic editorials, today emphasized the valour and efficiency of the Finnish soldiers in withstanding the massive Soviet machine of armed forces.—Havas.

Italian Press Acclaim Gallantry of Finns

Heroic Resistance Made Against Vast Odds

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Rome, Dec. 4.

Newspaper headlines here acclaim the gallantry of the Finns in their heroic resistance against the Russian invasion.

Commentators state, however, that there is little hope the Finns will be able to long withstand the huge Bolshevist war machine.

Emphasis is placed here on Russian aims in south-eastern Europe—aims which Italy has been working to counteract since the outbreak of war.—Reuter.

Demonstrations in Rome

Rome, Dec. 4.

Fresh demonstrations favouring Finland and against the Soviet occurred here today. Crowds of students gathered outside the Finnish Legation and shouted anti-Soviet slogans.

The Finnish Minister appeared on the balcony of the Legation in response to the calls of the demonstrators, who thereafter continued their march, shouting "Long Live Finland" and "Down with the Soviet Union."

The Soviet Embassy is now strongly guarded while a cordon of troops has almost isolated the district.—Reuter.

The hottest actress in Hollywood recently was Eily Malyon, character player. She had to wear a flannel nightgown, get into bed filled with hot water bottles under half a dozen heavy blankets and with scores of big lights pouring their heat down upon her. It's for a scene in Paramount's "Untamed."

Senator Norris Gives His Advice

President Urged to Hide Third-Term Plans

Washington, Dec. 4.

Senator George W. Norris, Independent of Nebraska, yesterday urged President Roosevelt to conceal his third-term plans for the time being since most of the demands for a clarification of the President's intentions were from his enemies.

"It would be a sad mistake if Roosevelt acceded to these demands," Senator Norris said. "There is no doubt that the President does not want to be a candidate for re-election. However, there is no other figure under whose banners there can be such unanimity among the citizens."

There was no indication that President Roosevelt would take Senator Norris' advice.

Mr. Paul V. McNutt, Federal Security Adminostrationer and nominee for candidate for President, conferred with his chief aides who are to handle his campaign. He conferred with Mr. Frank McHale, his campaign manager, who has visited 32 states and expects to visit every state before the New Year. He reported to Mr. McNutt that the drive was "very encouraging," being especially strong in Florida, Oklahoma and generally in the south and south-west." He said that he was "more than satisfied" with the response in the New England states.—United Press.

42 Dead in Hongkong Fire Disaster

Spectacular Blaze in Kowloon Tenements

Hongkong, Dec. 4.

At least 42 Chinese were killed last night in a spectacular fire in Kowloon where two tenements in the congested Chinese quarter burned. Most of those killed suffered fatal injuries in jumping from verandahs after being trapped by the flames.

Fire and police reports indicate there were 66 casualties. Forty-two are known to be dead and another 24 were removed to hospitals. Police are still recovering bodies and it is feared the death toll may exceed fifty. The fire occurred at Nos. 480-482 Shanghai Street.—United Press.

Germany to Sell Japan Planes Despite War

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

War in Europe would not keep Germany from filling Japan's order for five Condor planes, Dr. G. Kaumann, Tokyo representative of the German State Aircraft Industrial League, told the Aviation Bureau of the Ministry of Communications today.

The order was placed by the Japan Airways Company with the Focke-Wulf Compnay. The planes, four-engined 20-seaters, will cost Y.6,000,000.

Two of the planes, Dr. Kaumann said, would be ready in the spring. Transportation of the planes to Japan was being considered by the Japan Airways Company.—Domei.

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Attack on Mr. Penniston Causes Representations to Japanese Officials

The acting American Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. Frank P. Lockhart, yesterday made representations to the Japanese Consul-General here over the incident in Yu Yuen Road on Sunday afternoon in which Mr. John B. Penniston, American citizen, was pushed by the muzzles of rifles brandished by members of the Shanghai Special Municipality Police. The note to the Japanese Consul-General contained the request that the Chinese police be disciplined and that steps be taken to avoid similar incidents in the future.

Mr. Penniston reported the matter to the American Consulate-General this morning, stating that he had been pushed by rifle muzzles and that his wife, a Japanese, had been struck by blows from the butt of a rifle by one of the Chinese policemen.

The Pennistons, with their baby being wheeled in a baby-carriage by an amah, were walking along Yu Yuen Road bound for Jessfield Park at 2.30 on Sunday afternoon. When they reached the intersection of Brenan Road and Yu Yuen Road, according to reports, they met a group of six Special Municipality policemen, who were blocking the pavement.

Stops Carriage

Mr. Penniston motioned to the policemen to move but instead one of them put his foot in front of one of the wheels of the baby-carriage and stopped the party. Mr. Penniston protested to the Chinese police and as he did so, the policemen threatened him with their rifles. At the same time Mrs. Penniston is reported to have said something to the police, whereupon one of them slapped her in the face. The American then rushed to his wife's aid but he was pushed away by the rifles of the police while at the same time his wife was struck with the rifle butts wielded by the policemen.

Chinese Crews Granted Concession

Buenos Aires, Dec. 4.

The Government today permitted 108 Chinese seamen, who arrived here aboard three German ships, to remain in the country until a neutral ship sails for China.

Earlier local courts had ordered that the Chinese should be deported to China aboard the Japanese ship, La Plata Maru, which sailed at 2 p.m. yesterday for China.

The Government reversed its earlier order following a vigorous press campaign on behalf of the Chinese who objected to sailing on a Japanese ship. A dramatic scene was described in the press yesterday when it was reported that the 108 Chinese took an oath on Saturday night to commit suicide rather than be repatriated aboard a Japanese ship.—United Press.

Belgian Official Denies Alleged Statement

M. Louis Scheyven, Belgian charge d'Affaires, officially denied a statement to the effect that he believed that China would be the final victor in the present Sino-Japanese conflict attributed to him by the "Shun Pao," on November 30, the "Tairiku Shimpo" said last night.

The Belgian diplomat, in a note to Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, Japanese Consul-General here, stated that the newspaper report was "incorrect," the Japanese daily stated. The Belgian communication was in the form of a reply to a note addressed M. Scheyven by Mr. Miura on December 1 inquiring whether or not the statement attributed to him by the "Shun Pao" represented his true belief, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

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Soviet-Rumanian Accord Over Rail Transit

Stiff Terms Exacted From Germany for Privileges

Cernauti, Dec. 4.

Following lengthy discussions between Rumanian and Soviet delegates, an agreement covering the transit of Rumanian trains through Soviet occupied Poland, was signed here on December 1.

The line affected is the one linking Cernauti to Lwow and the agreement will only cover freight-traffic between Rumania and Germany which must pass through these parts of Soviet-occupied parts of Poland.

The new agreement provides for five trains daily which is equal to the pre-war number. These trains, however, will only travel at night.

It is rumoured here that Soviet Russia will collect very high transit fees from Germany and will insist on payment in gold or in foreign currencies.

It is known that Rumanian railway authorities are very much worried over the fact that upward of 2,800 cars have been detained in Germany in recent months and that they have not been permitted to return to Rumania despite repeated demands which have been made to the Berlin authorities concerning the matter.—Havas.

Seven Bolivian Officers Arrive in Japan

Yokohama, Dec. 4.

Seven Bolivian army officers, headed by Lieut.-Col. Roberto Ormos, arrived in Yokohama today aboard the O.S.K. liner Santos. The military officers will make a three-months tour of Japan.

"It is a great honour to have the opportunity of visiting Japan," Lieut.-Col. Ormos declared. "We expect to learn very much from Japanese officers and men."—Domei.

New Lathe Invented

Technicians of the Central China Railway Company have succeeded in constructing a new type of lathe which will increase production of machinery, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo."

Work on it was started July 10 and completed on October 29. The usual time needed for making a lathe is half a year. Japanese and Chinese craftsmen co-operated in its manufacture.

The lathe will be exhibited to the public for three days at the offices of the company at Chapei, the paper said.

Hungarian Banker to Visit London

German Trade Demands Reported Very Extensive

London, Dec. 4.

The impending visit to London by Mr. Richard Quandt, governor of the National Bank of Hungary, is of considerable importance, the Budapest correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" points out.

The same report adds that the German Economic Mission has already arrived in Budapest with a view to engaging in conversations with the Hungarian Government and officials of the National Bank, commencing today.

The correspondent adds that Dr. Clodius, heading the Reich's Mission, has already submitted a number of plans to the Hungarian Government. According to the latest proposals, Germany suggests to place Hungary's foreign trade under the Reich's control. The plan would define Hungary's needs according to the German point of view and would fix the quantities of Hungarian exports to Germany and which proportion of Hungary's foreign trade would go to other countries.—Havas.

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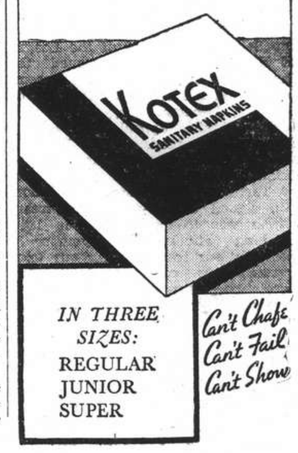

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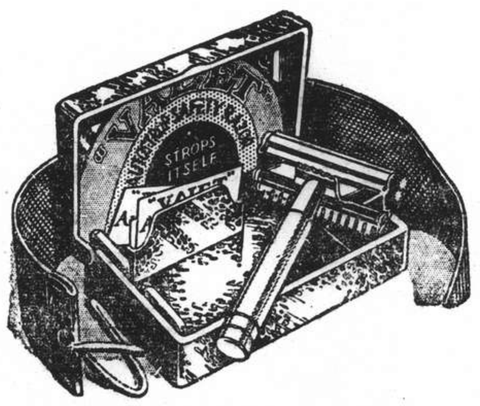

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a Bridge and Mahjongg party at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. tomorrow from 2.30 to 7 p.m., in aid of St. Olga's Orphanage.

TOMORROW being the national day of Finland, the Finnish Legation and Consulate-General will be closed. There will be no official reception.

THE Foreign "Y" lecture committee announces that Dr. A. von Miorini will speak again and show pictures on the subject "On the way:—A Motor Car Trip Across Asia" today, at 9 p.m.

TRAFFIC will be prohibited for 15 days from Thursday on the road leading from the newly-built Hata Road, to the Tazang Airdrome and the Kwangtung Cemetery, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi." Reconditioning of the road will be under way during that time.

JUDGE Milton J. Helmick will be the speaker at the next meeting of the American Association of University Women, at the Blackstone Apartments, on December 7. His subject will be "The Perplexities of American Laws." Tea will be served at 4 p.m. All women graduates of American colleges are invited.

THE Ladies' Committee of the School for Russian Children will be grateful to receive donations for the coming Christmas for the orphans and the needy children of their School. The donations in money, parcels or products should be sent to 737/1 Avenue Petain or 230 Route Say Zoong.

INDICATIVE of re-establishment of peace and order in Kaoyu in western Anhwei, from which area guerillas were dispersed recently by Japanese Army and naval forces, two primary schools have been opened there with an enrollment of more than 1,000 children, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi."

MORE than 100 refugee children from the Honan areas arrived in Lanchow, Kansu province on Sunday. They will receive education under the auspices of the Child Welfare Association of China, says a report to the "Shun Pao." A hundred others, the report adds, are now on their way to Lanchow from other parts of Honan province.

THE British Universities' Society of China will hold their social at the Winter Garden on Thursday when an excellent programme has been arranged. Tickets can be obtained from Mr. M. L. Ling, 299 Szechuen Road, Telephone 10434; H.G.B. Ferry, 94 Canton Road telephone 12487 and from the Hon. Secretary H. B. Lobb, telephone 31610.

SECOND graduation ceremonies of the Reformed Institute were held at its auditorium in the former premises of Fu Tan University on Hsiang Ying Road at 9 a.m. on Sunday according to the "Tairiku Shimpo" yesterday. Among those present were Vice-Admiral Shizue Tsuda, Director of the Central China Liaison Office of the Asia Development Board, and Mr. Fu Siao-en, Mayor of the Shanghai Special Municipality.

ABOUT $50,000,000 worth of medical supplies and funds have been contributed to China by various American charitable bodies since the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, says the "Shun Pao." The relief work is being carried out mainly among the city people in the war zones and in the North China flood areas, particularly among wounded civilians and soldiers, the report states.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending December 2, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were Foreigners 7 and Chinese 237. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners: Cerebrospinal Meningitis 2. Chinese: Tuberculosis 28, Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 6; Dysentery 4; Beri-beri 4 and Scarlatina, Pneumonia 1 each.

THE Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight December 2, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement were—Foreigners and Chinese 701. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners: Typhoid Fever 2; Tuberculosis 1 and Bacillary Dysentery 1. Chinese: Tuberculosis 34; Typhoid Fever 23; Dysentery 13; Beri-beri 3; Diphtheria 2; Cerebrospinal Fever 2; Malaria 2 and Relapsing Fever 1.

MR. Itsuji Hishida, Chairman of the Assembly of the Japanese Residents' Corporation, summoned 29 assemblymen for a meeting at the Nippon Club at noon Monday to discuss the election of a president of the corporation for the next term, according to the "Tairiku Shimpo." This marked the beginning of the presidential election campaigns in the Japanese community. They may continue for a month, the paper said.

THE Japanese Special Naval Landing Party has announced new areas where parking is prohibited as follows: North Szechuen Road, both sides of the section between Scott and Haining Roads; Woosung Road, both sides between Haining and Boone Roads; Boone and North Szechuen Roads, east sides; Chapoo Road, east side between North Soochow and Haining Roads; Dixwell Road, south side between Gee Mai, now Matsui, and North Szechuen Roads; Range Road, south side between North Szechuen and Woosung Roads; Boone Road, south side between North Szechuen and Broadway; Broadway, both sides.

DR. W. W. Yen, former Chinese Ambassador to Moscow, Dr. C. T. Wang, former Ambassador to Washington, Dr. Chiang Po-ling, President of the Southwest University Federation, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, Minister of Publicity of the Kuomintang, and Dr. Yu Pin, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, have been elected honorary presidents of the Peoples' Foreign Relations Association, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Chinese American Daily News." The association, with the co-operation of other public organizations in Chungking, is making preparations for a reception to be held in honour of M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, the report states.

Telephone Traffic Control Explained

Paper Read Before China Engineering Society; How Delays Are Avoided

In a paper sponsored by the China Centre of the Institution of Electrical Engineers and read before the Engineering Society of China last night at the Park Hotel by Mr. A. B. Wilkinson, A.I.E.E., with Mr. J. Haynes Wilson, M.I.E.E., in the chair, entitled "Telephone Traffic Engineering," Mr. Wilkinson said that telephone traffic engineering comprised estimation, arrangement and administration of central office and subscribers' equipment to provide the high standard of telephone service demanded to day. Service meant speed with economy, as well as accuracy, in connecting telephone calls; each call required immediate co-operation by operators or remotely-controlled machinery, so that plant had to be provided with regard to the maximum simultaneous calls. Central office plant was arranged for the common service of many subscribers and the paths, or routes of interconnection were termed the trunking. Complexity in trunking developed as the number of subscribers grew, requiring as in a postal service a more elaborate sorting and delivery system.

The Shanghai rotary automatic system trunking was capable of serving 180,000 lines without elaboration. Automatic systems made a connection by directing the call to a major block of numbers, then a lesser block and so on, the last stage being selection of the number wanted.

Manual Arrangements

In manual systems, operating positions were provided so that under normal traffic conditions 95 per cent. of calls would be answered within ten seconds, each call requiring a precise amount of an operator's time; in automatic systems the machinery was provided to ensure that practically no calls were delayed.

The traffic engineer's primary data were the volume of traffic in the busy hour of business days, and call connecting facilities were based on that traffic. Pure chance laws were normally applicable to originating telephone calls and it was possible to calculate the probability of a call being delayed when a certain volume of traffic was offered to a group of trunks in one hour. The delay probability was a measure of the grade of service, and the greater this probability was, the worse would be the service though the facilities would carry more calls.

The larger a trunk group was, the more the call capacity of any individual trunk would be and this fact had exerted much influence on the mechanical design of automatic switches and switch inter-connecting methods generally. The Shanghai rotary system employed 100 point line finders and 300 point group selectors and the interlinking systems aimed at gathering subscribers' small traffic into large, efficient groups of connecting circuits, and at switching of traffic in large bulks as much as possible.

The author described various automatic switches, the methods of computing how many were needed in a given case and the inter-linking practices to ensure maximum call carrying capacity; 'grading' of trunks whereby non-coinciding peaks in divisions of traffic were served by 'common' trunks, was described. The administration of facilities to minimize interruptions in the flow of calls was explained, covering methods of recording calls meeting or foreshowing a 'no trunk' condition.

Estimating Traffic

The general principles of estimating telephone traffic between districts in an urban network were also outlined; although the variables are numerous it was possible to achieve fair accuracy in forecasting the telephone community of interest' between districts.

Automatic methods were being widely applied in telephone communities and in this, and in metropolitan networks, calls were not necessarily routed direct in all cases, but might be connected via alternative or tandem routes often shared by calls from other communities, in order to gain most economic use of expensive, relatively long and possibly technically complex inter-office trunks through the gain in call carrying capacity with larger trunk groups.

Spurious Passes Bared By Japanese

Forgeries Said Sponsored By Chiang Government

Two secret printing plants making spurious passes, which look like those issued by the Shanghai Special Municipality to Chinese for entry into Japanese-occupied areas, have been discovered by Japanese police in co-operation with Settlement and Concession authorities, the "Shanghai Mainichi" said yesterday morning.

Thirty-eight such plants had been established by Chiang Po-cheng, a member of the National Military Council, who entered the Settlement in October on orders from Gen. Chiang Kai-shek with $2,500,000 in order to start anti-Japanese activities in the Shanghai area, the paper said.

Last Japanese Liner to Sail via Mediterranean

The N.Y.K. Liner Hakone Maru, which was to leave Kobe on December 22 for Europe by way of the Mediterranean, the "Tairiku Shimpo" said yesterday morning, will be the last Japanese vessel to follow the Mediterranean route to Europe.

Bookings for passages aboard the Hakone were filled a month ago. Most of the passengers are destined for the Near East, only ten going to western Europe.

Due to the sinking of the Terukuni Maru, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has been planning to send to Europe steamers now on the Australia route, but preparations will not be completed within this year. Next spring the Kamo Maru, the Kitano Maru and other ships will be placed on the European run, the paper said.

Duke of Gloucester with the Forces

Viscount Gort, Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Forces (centre) chatting with the Duke of Gloucester (left) who is Chief Liaison Officer.

Private David Eckford Committed for Trial

Seaforth Highlander to Face Charge of Murdering Lance Corporal Davies of Same Regiment

"I HAVE nothing to say, sir, and I reserve my defence." In a firm, clear voice, Pte. David Eckford, a native of Kirkcaldy, Fifeshire, Scotland, and a member of the 1st Batt. The Seaforth Highlanders in Shanghai, spoke these words after he had heard a charge of murder preferred against him by Mr. C. H. Haines, H. M. Registrar, in H. M. Police Court yesterday afternoon.

This ended a lengthy preliminary hearing of the charge in the Police Court, during which evidence for the prosecution was offered in connection with events at "E" Blockhouse in the British Military Defence Sector on North Thibet Road on the night of November 4 when Pte. Eckford was alleged to have shot and killed Lance-Cpl. James Davies, also of the Seaforth Highlanders, his post commander ot the time.

Eckford was committed for trial and was remanded in custody. "On the evidence I must frame a charge against you," stated Mr. Haines. The charge was then read out as follows: "That you David Eckford, on the fourth day of November, 1939, murdered James Davies." Through his counsel, Mr. K. E. Newman, Eckford stated that he would not call any witnesses in the Police Court.

Pte. William Garrity, first witness at the hearing, told the Court that on November 4 he was stationed at Sector Headquarters at the Provisional Court. At 9.50 p.m. he proceeded with Lieut. J. M. Marshall to "E" Post and on the way they stopped the duty truck, inside which were the driver, Pte. Hughes, Serg. MacDonald, Pte. Eckford, Pte. Richards, Pte. Paton and one other soldier. A conversation took place between Sergt. MacDonald and Lieut. Marshall but witness did not hear what was said. Pte. Eckford, witness continued, said "I shot him, sir."

After this conversation the duty truck went in the direction of Sector Headquarters and Lieut. Marshall and witness continued towards "E" Post. On arrival at the post he saw Lance-Cpl. Davies lying on the ground about two yards to the right of the sentry box. After the ambulance had arrived and the attendants had placed the body of Lance-Cpl. Davies on a stretcher, witness took his equipment off and placed it in the duty truck, which had come just before the ambulance had arrived. He then went with Lance-Cpd. Davies in the ambulance to the British Military Hospital where Capt. Smyth examined the body in his presence.

Rifle Identified

Company Sergt.-Maj. Henry Gillan of the Seaforth Highlanders said that on October 14 he checked all the arms issued to "B" Company of the Seaforth Highlanders. He was handed a rifle in court numbered 229. This, he stated, had been issued to Pte. Eckford. He added that he had checked the disc number (229), the body number (1496) and the bolt number (1496). The rifle had been handed to him by Capt. Douglas on November 6 and he had placed it in the rifle stores where it remained until November 8. On this date he handed it to Staff-Sergt. Herbert of the R.A.O.C. with instructions to him to clean it. It was returned after half an hour in a clean condition and was kept by witness except when it was required by the Court.

Insp. John Tweedle Shields of the Shanghai Municipal Police, attached to West Hongkew Station, said that at about 9.57 p.m. on November 4 he proceeded to "E" post on North Thibet Road. Two and a half yards north of the sentry box he saw a stream of blood. Present were Lieut. Marshall, Sub-Insp. Brown and Det.-Sergt. Sanbrook and in the middle of the road was a Fire Brigade ambulance.

He proceeded to the blockhouse and took a .303 rifle, Lieut. Marshall pointing out that it was the one which had been used. Witness opened the bolt and took a spent .303 round from the breach. He was then handed a spent round which, he said, was similar to the one he had taken out. On a table near the door was a clip containing four rounds and a packet of cheroots which had been opened and two cheroots taken out.

Chinese Police-Constable 1443 told the Court that on November 4 he was on duty from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. on North Thibet Road. His beat was from Kaifeng Road to 20 yards beyond the sentry box. At about 9.45 he heard the sound of a shot and at this time he was about 20 yards south of the sentry box. He turned round and saw a man lying on the ground on the north side of the sentry box. Answering Mr. P. Watkin Williams, for the prosecution, he stated that he could see at the time as there was electric light on the roadway. After the shot he telephoned to West Hongkew Police station and then went back to the road and drove away a crowd of onlookers, who were Chinese shopkeepers.

Capt. Ernest Albert Smyth, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, stated that at 10.30 p.m. on November 4 he examined a body at the British Military Hospital, a private of the Seaforth Highlanders coming with the body. He found that the body was still warm. There was a gunshot wound, circular, one and a quarter inches in diameter, situated over the spinous processes of the second and third cervicle vertebrae, slightly to the right of the mid line. There was no exit wound, the bullet having apparently ended somewhere in the mouth, causing multiple compound fractures of the right half of the mandible (lower jaw). Death was due to (1) shock and (2) haemorrhage due to a gunshot wound in the cervicle vertebrae.

He added that, in his opinion, death was instantaneous. He did not remember seeing any wound on the face except a few bruises. There were no powder marks so the distance at which the shot was fired must have been more than one to two yards away but, in view of the size of the wound, not more than ten yards. Witness added that he did not extract the bullet. A wound of this nature, he said, was not inconsistent with his having fallen on his back.

Soldier Buys Cigars

Questioned by Mr. Newman, Capt. Smyth said there was no wound of any consequence on the face; nothing more than a bruise. Here Mr. Newman asked, that as witnesses had stated that both parties stood face to face, could the wound have been an exit one? To this Capt. Smyth replied that it would have been practically impossible. He added that the man might easily have fallen on his back if he had been shot in the back of the neck. There had been no post mortem examination. It was quite possible that the vertebrae and the lower jaw would stop a .303 bullet.

Capt. John Sholto Henry Douglas, commanding "B" Company, Seaforth Highlanders, told the Court when cross-examined by Mr. Newman that he had seen people wounded by rifle shots in Palestine during fighting with Arabs but that he had never actually examined people shot at point blank range by rifle shots. After evidence by Lieut. Robert Dalrymple Maclagan, Adjutant of the Seaforth Highlanders, the evidence of Lee Se-ching, owner of a money exchange and tobacconist's shop at 214 North Thibet Road was taken.

He said his shop was about fifteen houses away from the British military post on North Thibet Road. During the evening of November 4 a foreign soldier came to his shop and bought a packet of Red Star cheroots and a box of matches. He was unable to identify this soldier.

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Kulangsu Becoming Deserted

Many Wealthy Chinese Flee Since Occupation

The Chinese people in Kulangsu have petitioned their Government urging that representations be made with the British and American Governments against the alleged loss of freedom of the Chinese in the port where the Japanese have been arresting people suspected to be anti-Japanese, according to the Foochow correspondent of the "Shun Pao." The rich and well-to-do Chinese have fled, leaving many empty houses behind after the Consular Body there accepted the Japanese demands, it is asserted.

Following the acceptance of the Japanese demand of appointing a deputy police commissioner, and other demands forbidding anti-Japanese activities and reorganizing the Chinese Ratepayers Association and Chamber of Commerce in Kulangsu, the Municipal Council there is said to have issued a proclamation prohibiting all anti-Japanese publications, and meetings or demonstrations and also the display of Chinese national flags. Without permission, no person is allowed to carry firearms or explosives. Those who disobey these rules will be banished or punished by Japanese authorities.

Following the proclamation, the Japanese Consular Police and officers attached to the Special Service Section made arrests and handed over the prisoners to the Council or Japanese naval authorities in Amoy, it is stated. The new Chinese regime in Amoy sent representatives to Kulangsu to re-organize the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, thus allowing them to extend their commercial influence to Kulangsu by pushing the sale of Japanese goods. These official representatives from Amoy are also said to be reorganizing the Chinese Ratepayers' Association so as to be elected as Chinese members of the Municipal Council.

The correspondent says that since the Chinese in Kulangsu are constantly under the threat of being arrested or killed they have seen fit to petition their Government for representations so a status quo may be established. Kulangsu no longer bears the appearance of a prosperous port and only small merchants and the poor Chinese are remaining there. Goods in Chinese shops have been registered with the Kulangsu Municipal Council and the registration fees collected will be used for paying salaries of new Japanese and Korean employees of the Council, it is stated.

THE second of a series of special dinners being held at the American Club, 209 Foochow Road, during the month of December will take place at the club tomorrow night. Special dinner music is being featured from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. The occasion is open to all club members and their guests.

Kidnapping Suspect Charged

Two Boys Carried Off As They Watched Races

Liu Kuo-fu, the cook employed by the manager of the Shanghai branch of the Chungking Bank, Mr. Zao Chi-kao, was brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on suspicion that he had engineered a kidnapping in which his own young master and another boy were carried away while they were watching the races on the south side of Bubbling Well Road on Saturday afternoon. Hearing was postponed for a week pending further developments.

The police have finally established the identity of the two boys. The elder boy is Zao Yao-kou aged 3, son of Mr. Zao Chi-kao, the bank manager, who lives at 24 Tien Loh Li off Love Lane. The other is Hsieh Shing-hai, the one-year old son of Mr. Hsieh Chu-chai, a staff member of the bank. The amah who was also carried away by kidnappers had been in the employ of the Hsieh family for only a few months. It was suspected that she might also have connived with the criminals.

The kidnappers have so far not communicated with the families of their young victims but the police have arrested the cook who was present when the crime was being committed and in custody of one of the boys.

The kidnappers, said to be three in number, drove up in a motor car to the place where the boys and their two guardians, the detained cook and kidnapped amah, were watching the goings-on inside the Race Course. Producing a pistol and in a leisurely manner, they snatched the young victims and forced the amah into their waiting car which quickly sped away without drawing the attention of other persons.

Attack on Burglar Ends In Death

A lynching case was mentioned in the First Special District Court yesterday when three hut squatters, who were alleged to have fatally assaulted a burglar early yesterday morning in Heng Yeh Alley off Robison Road, were brought before the judge and charged with assault causing death. They were remanded in custody for further hearings.

The thief, who was alleged to have stolen some cooking pans, was caught while prowling in the lane by the trio who, it was alleged, set upon him and injured him seriously. This happened at about 4 a.m. The unfortunate thief later died.

A hawker is also being held by the same court in connection with another assault case in which a young school boy, whose name has not yet been ascertained, was fatally injured on Saturday after disputing with the hawker over the price of a ruler. The peddler was alleged to have so badly beaten the boy that he later died in hospital.

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Money & Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1939

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

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U.S. $100 @ 7 ..... $1,428.57

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 7/16 ..... $ 54.03
U.S. $100 @ 7 1/16 ..... $1,391.30
London—demand 4 7/16
4 months' sight credits 4 1/2
4 months' sight docts 4 9/16
6 months' sight credits 4 13/32
6 months' sight docts 4 17/32
New York—demand .....U.S. $7 1/16
4 months' sight credits 7 1/16
4 months' sight docts 7 1/16

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 4 7/16 U.S. $7 1/32
Hongkong/London 1/2 3/32

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders .....Buying 13 7/8
Java Guilders ..... " 13 3/4
Netherlands Guilders .....Selling 13 3/8
Java Guilders ..... " 13 1/4

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Tourist Lire 1.55 .....$1

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U.S.$ Selling " @ 9 3/4 " H.H.$100
" Buying " @ 10 1/16 " H.H.$100

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Buying " @ 141 " H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	4 7/16	4 3/8
U.S. G.$	7 1/4	7 1/8
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING	BUYING
Cash		December
£ T.T.	4 13/32	4 m/s. l.c. 4 17/32
G.$ T.T.	7 3/16	4 m/s. l.c. 7 1/16
Fcs. T.T.	324	4 m/s. 338
Rs. T.T.	24 3/4	15 d/s. 25 1/4

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N.Y. cents per oz. troy	—	—
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Bombay was 1 Rupee and 8 annas up at 67.00.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 13/32 sterling and 7 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with sellers for cash at 4 13/32 sterling and 7 3/32 U.S.$ but developed and easy tendency shortly after the opening and declined to 4 13/32 sterling and 7 1/16 U.S.$, after which there was a steadier feeling owing to some profit taking. At the close there were small sellers at:—

4 7/16	sterling	7 3/32 U.S.$	Cash
4 7/16	"	7 1/16 "	Dec.
4 13/32	"	7 1/16 "	Jan.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 4	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.185	.19	
Antamok	.16	.16	
Baguio Gold	.155	.155	
Batong Buhay	.010	.010	
Big Wedge	.21	.21	
Coco Grove	.18	.18	S
Consolidated Mines	.0025	.025	
Demonstration	.07	.0725	
I X L	.425	.425	S
Ipo Gold	.145	.15	S
Itogon	.285	.285	S
Mambulao Consolidated	.02	.020	S
Masbate Consolidated	.10	.105	S
Mine Operations	.09	.09	
North Camarines	.165	.165	
Paracale Gumaus	.18	.18	
San Mauricio	.84	.84	S
Surigao Consolidated	.165	.165	
Suyoc	.135	.135	S
Syndicate Investment	.018	.018	
United Paracale	.275	.285	
Mindanao Mother Lode	.08	.035	S

Turnover for the Morning: 121,700 Pesos.

Shares Index: (Morning Session) 77.57.
S—Sales.—Reuter.

Estimated Output Dry Rubber for November

	lb.
Langkat	105,000
Shanghai-Sumatra	50,000

Japanese Govt. Bonds

Osaka, Dec. 4.

Kogo 5% Y.105.17
—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The firmer tendency in exchange was the contributing factor later in the day to the strength of local stocks, which after a weak start developed rapidly into a buyers' market, in which practically all issues were marked up. New Engines and Metals were the best performers, both shares showing gains, the former of over $1.00 on the day's trading. While it may appear that the immediate trend is upward it must be remembered that further weakness in Exchange would inevitably bring on some liquidation.

Rubbers were again quietly supported.

Official Averages

1939 High	Low		Today's Averages	Changes
220.27	105.32	General	209.77	+2.38
275.53	95.55	Rubbers	266.64	+6.51

Total 188,692 shares, 95 bonds.

Morning Session

Power 5½% Debs.				1000		87.00
Central Prop				200		16.00
I. I. Trust		500	9.60	500		9.50
500	9.45	2000	9.40	500		9.45
500	9.50	500	*9.45	500		9.45
500	9.55	1500	9.60			
S'hai Loan		500	10.40	500		10.30
1000	*10.50					
Yangtsze Finance				3500		8.70
1000	*8.70	500	8.75	500		8.80
1000	9.00					
China Realty				2000		0.51
S'hai Land		1000	10.40	1500		10.30
500	10.20	500	10.40	1000		10.50
500	*10.60					
New Eng. (Ord)		1500	17.90	1000		18.00
500	18.10	100	*18.10	2200		18.30
100	18.20	700	18.30	1300		*18.40
500	18.40	600	18.50	300		18.70
200	*18.70	300	19.00	100		19.10
1000	19.00	1100	18.90	100		*18.80
2800	18.90					
Wheelock		200	68.50	500		69.00
200	*69.00	400	69.50	300		70.00
500	*70.00	100	*70.50	200		70.50
600	*71.00	300	71.00			
C. G. Omnibus				600		23.25
Telephone		100	23.25	7700		23.50
400	*23.50	100	23.75	200		23.50
Tram (Bearer)	£1			200		40.00
500	39.75					
Metal		2700	18.30	100		*18.30
400	18.20	200	*18.20	1300		18.30
300	18.20	500	*18.30	2500		18.20
500	18.10	1200	18.20	300		18.30
200	18.20	2300	18.30	100		*18.30
300	18.40	300	18.50	200		18.60
200	18.70	100	18.60	400		*18.70
1700	18.60	100	*18.60	1000		18.70
Kaiping				200		43.00
Exploration		500	9.00	1000		9.05
500	9.00	500	9.05	1500		9.10
500	9.20					
Power (Pref)		50	124.75	110		124.50
10	*124.75	10	*125.00	100		124.75
Ewo Mills (Ord)		3200	23.80	800		*23.80
400	23.70	1600	23.80	4900		23.90
1800	24.00	400	24.10			
S'hai Cotton				100		*155.00
Anglo Java		700	*36.50	100		36.50
Ayer Tawah				500		5.80
Chemor				4000		2.00
Cheng		1000	*0.48	1000		0.49
Langkat				600		23.75
Repah				1000		0.87
Semambu				1000		1.08
Senawang				4000		1.20
Kelantan		2000	0.55	1000		0.54
1000	0.53					
Sungei Duri				100		54.00
Tanah Merah				4000		3.00
Tebong				1000		1.08
Ziangbe		100	24.75	500		*24.75
S'hai Dock				50		196.00

ODD LOTS

Power 5½% Debs.				500		87.00
C. G. Omnibus				50		23.50
Exploration				100		8.85
S. & H. Wharf				5		*240.00
Telephone				60		23.50
S. & H. Wharf				20		257.00
Metal				50		18.20
Ewo Mills (Ord)				40		23.80
Power (Pref)				9		*125.25
I. I. Trust				200		9.65

*—Direct Business.

Afternoon Session

China Realty 8% Tael Debs.				7000		87.00
Power 5½% Debs.				1000		86.50
I. I. Trust		500	9.65	3000		9.60
500	9.65	1000	9.75	500		9.80
1000	9.85	500	*9.80	500		9.80
500	*9.75	500	9.80	500		9.75
500	*9.80	500	9.80			
S'hai Loan				1500		10.60
Yangtsze Finance				3000		8.95
S'hai Land		2000	10.60	2000		*10.60
2500	*10.70	500	10.70			
New Eng. (Ord)		100	18.90	2900		19.00
800	*19.00	400	*19.10	900		19.00
200	*19.00	2500	19.10	100		*19.10
1800	19.20	200	19.10	100		*19.10
500	19.20	500	19.10	200		*19.10
500	19.20	1200	*19.20	100		19.10
S'hai Dock				50		*200.00
Wheelock		700	70.50	100		*70.50
300	71.00	100	*71.00	300		70.00
Telephone		300	23.75	100		23.50
100	*23.75	300	23.50	300		23.75
Tram (Bearer)	£1			300		39.75
Metal		100	*18.80	200		18.80
2700	18.90	1800	18.80	400		18.70
200	*18.80	1500	*18.70	600		18.80
100	18.90	100	18.80	100		18.90
2100	18.90	100	*18.80	300		18.70
Exploration		1500	9.25	4000		9.20
Ewo Mills (Ord)		3300	24.20	1000		*24.20
Anglo Java		700	36.50	200		*36.50
400	36.75					
Ayer Tawah				500		5.80
Chemor				3000		2.00
Cheng		1000	0.49	1000		0.50
2000	0.49					
Java Consolidated				1000		*4.35
Kroewoek				1000		*2.80
Langkat		1700	23.75	100		623.75
Rubber Trust				1500		6.90
Tanah Merah				4000		3.00
Ziangbe				100		24.75

ODD LOTS

Power (Pref)				4		*125.00
Tram (Bearer)	£1			50		39.50
S'hai Land				200		*10.60
Telephone				50		23.25
Chemor	500	1.98		500		1.98
New Eng. (Ord)				12		19.00
Ewo Mills (Ord)				62		*24.00

*—Direct Business.

Export Trade's Difficulties

Inadequacy of Raw Material Supplies Uncertainty Under Control System

BRITISH exporters, far from being able to take advantage of the virtual disappearance of their German competitors, are facing increasing difficulties in maintaining their position in the world markets. Complaints are being mainly directed against the impossibility of obtaining adequate raw material supplies, says the "Financial News."

Holders of stocks of controlled raw material are in some cases working on the erroneous assumption that the Services enjoy absolute priority over all requirements for non-military purposes. Exporters are thus finding it practically impossible to quote or tender in the export markets, for they are not in a position to say with any degree of certainty whether they will be able to effect delivery of goods for the manufacture of which raw materials controlled by the Ministry of Supply are required.

Suggested Remedy

To alleviate these conditions, which threaten to do serious damage to Britain's export trade, it is suggested that all three Services should state as accurately as possible their own requirements and also the approximate date when they expect delivery.

These estimates would at least provide a basis upon which the authorities could assess the quantities of raw materials which could be made available for the export trades, and upon which they could formulate their policy in granting permits.

Lack of Unified Control

It is realized, of course, that to arrive at estimates of the requirements of the Services is rendered more difficult by the lack of unified control over the demand emanating from the Services.

As things are at present, the Ministry of Supply is responsible only for the Army, whereas the Admiralty and the Air Force, in matters of supply, are a law unto themselves.

F.B.I. Protest

Recently the Federation of British Industries War Emergency Committee stated that continuing export trade on a substantial scale was quite impossible so long as the present uncertainty continued to exist in regard to such matters as the availability of supplies and plant capacity, export licences and the Government's own foreign trade policy.

Manufacturers cannot accept export orders unless they know whether they will be in a position to execute them, it was added.

This involves planning ahead for the requirements of the export trade in a manner similar—though admittedly on a lesser scale—to that which is being employed to provide the requirements of the armed forces.

From the practical point of view, the best way of ensuring a continuing flow of exports would appear to be for the Government, in consultation with the industries concerned, to examine the practicability of reserving a certain proportion of the available raw material supplies and manufacturing capacity for the special use of the export trade; and to declare beforehand the markets and classes of goods for which such facilities as general export licences would be provided.

Granting Licences

On the other hand, traders are gratified to note a very distinct improvement in regard to the granting of export licences.

Since Mr. Stanley's statement in the House of Commons recently to the effect that arrears were now being overtaken, delays have become far less numerous than during the first few weeks of the war, and, broadly speaking, the system, after its original teething troubles, seems to be working smoothly.

It is widely regretted, however, that the Government has not yet been able to reduce to a minimum the delays taking place in connection with the pre-entry system under which all goods are scrutinized before shipment by the Customs authorities with a view to ascertaining whether any of them fall under the prohibited categories.

There is reason to believe that the Government may shortly take steps to ease the situation.

Import Ban Obscurity

Sections of the import trade have been seriously handicapped by the ban on the import of certain goods.

Importers, through their appropriate trade organizations, have been pressing the Board of Trade for a clear statement of policy in regard to imports. Under present conditions some importers have been forced to discontinue operations, but they are maintaining their organizations in the hope of a possible change in the Government's attitude.

It is felt that an announcement by the Government, clarifying its intentions as to the list of goods the import of which is at present prohibited, would at least make it possible for the importers concerned to decide whether or not to close down their offices.

The parcels post, through which a big export trade has been done, is now subject to censorship delays. This trade, in consequence, has now dwindled to very small proportions.

Canada is Largest Producer on Nickel

U.S. Biggest Consumer of Strategic Metal; World Output 109,000 Tons

With the world's main supply of nickel in Canada and only a few miles from the United States border, there is little fear that the uninterrupted flow of the metal here will be interferred with because of the European war. Owing to the traditional friendship and commercial ties between the two countries, the Dominion Government is not likely to restrict the movement of the metal to the United States for domestic consumption, states J. H. Carmical in the "New York Times."

Since the United States is the largest consumer of nickel and produces only an infinitesimal part of its requirements, considerable interest has been manifest in this metal, which is essential for efficient industrial and military operations. Defence authorities here recently classed nickel as a strategic metal.

World Production

Of an estimated world production of 109,000 metric tons last year, Canada accounted for 95,559, or about 88 per cent. of the total. New Caledonia, an island in the South Pacific Ocean belonging to France, is the second largest producer, with an output of 6,004 metric tons last year. In addition there is small production in Germany, Russia, Japan, Southern Rhodesia, Burma and Norway. The primary octput in the United States, which was principally a by-product in the electric refining of copper, amounted to only 377 tons.

Since 1933 the Mond Nickel Company, Ltd., English subsidiary of the International Nickel Company of Canada, Ltd., has been carrying on development work in Finland. In the annual report of International Nickel for 1937 it was said that "a substantial tonnage of ore of excellent grade has been proved by diamond drilling and prompt steps are being taken to develop the property for an output of 1,000,000 pounds of nickel and 500,000 pounds of copper monthly."

Russian Designs

According to reports from London last week, Joseph Stalin is anxious to obtain control over the extensive nickel deposits in Finland in order to free Russia from dependence upon the British Empire for the metal. The mine is about thirty miles southwest of the Finnish port of Petsamo, an ice-free harbour on the Arctic Ocean, on which Russia also is said to have designs.

International Nickel, it is estimated, has expended about $5,000,000 on development of the Finnish ore, and it is expected that possibly $5,000,000 additional will be required for completion of the project, originally scheduled for next Autumn. To provide power for operation of the mine and a smelter under construction, the company last year started to build a hydroelectric plant, also scheduled for operation by the Autumn of 1940.

Consumption in United States

Although the consumption of nickel in the United States last year was almost 50 per cent. below 1937, largely because of decreased industrial activity, it amounted to 23,400 metric tons out of a total world use of 92,500. Russia was second with a consumption of 17,300 metric tons, followed by the United Kingdom with 13,200 and Germany with 12,200.

Previous to the World War about 80 per cent. of the consumption of nickel was directly in the manufacture of armaments. The metal was used in addition as an important alloy in various machines for the making of armaments. After the World War, however, industrial uses were developed and in recent years it is estimated that the consumption of nickel for armament purposes declined to about 10 per cent. of total output.

The price of nickel has been unchanged at 35 cents a pound since 1926.

THE Executive Yuan has approved of the establishment of the proposed National Overseas Chinese Middle School in Kunming, capital of Yunnan province, in February, 1940, says a Chinese message to the "National Herald." A preparatory committee is now seeking a suitable site for the erection of the school which will enrol about 1,000 students in the next academic year.

Increased Quotas Of Rubber, Tea

Producers' Position; Both Rubber and Tea Growers Reasonably Good

Increased production quotas were announced in the beginning of October, by both the International Rubber Regulation Committee and the International Tea Committee. In each case the increase amounts to 5 per cent. The rubber increase relates only to the last three months of this year and brings the exportable percentage of standard assessments up to 75. The tea increase applies to the whole of the present regulation year which ends on March 31 next; the quota for this period will be 95 per cent. instead of 90 per cent. says "W.W.R." in "Financial News."

The rise in the rubber quota follows the increase of 10 per cent. announced early in September in connection with the Anglo-American agreement for the exchange of rubber and cotton. Whether the recent increase of 5 per cent. has been made in connection with the barter plan or not is by no means clear. It may well be that the Government, desiring to obtain the rubber to be delivered to America at the most moderate price possible, has put some pressure on the Committee. It may be, on the other hand, that the Committee has acted on its own initiative, as there appeared to be the possibility of dealy in obtaining sufficient amounts of barter rubber unless a more generous supply could be arranged. It is unlikely, in any case, that the extra increase of 5 per cent. has been necessitated by expansion in ordinary consumption requirements. For any such expansion which may be proceeding in this country, France and the United States must be comfortably covered by he quantities of rubber which in peacetime would be going to Germany and Poland but are now available for other consumers.

Producer's Position

It is possible, therefore, that in order to implement the barter plan with reasonable speed, and without causing undue disturbance to the price structure, the Rubber Committee has been obliged to release more rubber than is actually required. If this is so, it will no doubt be possible to adjust any oversupply later on—if necessary. Actually adjustment is unlikely to be necessary. Any excess will certainly be moderate and under wartime conditions will not constitute a meance to the price structure.

Producers, at any rate, would not appear to have any grounds for complaint at the present time, either absolutely or relatively to producers of other primary commodities. In the absolute sense, they are working on a moderately good quota and receiving a fairly good price, even after allowing for increases in costs in the form of higher freight rates, war risk insurance charges and so on. Admittedly, their rate of profit is not spectacular, but it must be better than at any time since the inception of restriction if one disregards the exceptional period in the opening part of 1937. And relatively to some other primary commodity producers, rubber growers are well placed. Base metal producers are limited to maximum prices which are not generous, except for tin. Tea producers are also pinned, for the time being at least, to the prices ruling in the latter part of August.

But the position of growers, though tolerably satisfactory, has not stimulated much demand for Rubber shares. The share market remains quiet. A little buying is in progress but is not finding much reflection in quotations. The general level of share values appears moderate, however, even if it be assumed that conditions in the industry will at no time during the war be any better than at present. In canvassing the prospects of any considerable improvement in these conditions, incidentally, it is to be remembered, first, that a part of the present exportable allowance is temporary in the sense that it covers America's needs under the barter scheme, and, secondly, that a big reserve of productive capacity exists with which to meet expansion in the volume of consumption, and expansion which is, in any case, somewhat problematical.

More Tea

The new tea quota of 95 per cent. is the highest ever fixed since restriction began in 1933. Its effect should be to establish a moderate excess of supplies over world requirements and to permit an increase in United Kingdom stocks which, while not inadequate, will be none the worse for being a bit larger. There is a great deal to be said in these days for a policy of creating safety margins. And that appears to be the main object of the latest quota increase, though there may also be some desire to create larger supplies of lower grade teas in anticipation of an increasing demand under a war economy for the lower quality blends.

Meanwhile, the Government's arrangements for controlling the trade in this country are meeting with some criticism, though the Government must be well used to criticism by now. In numerous fields it appears that schemes which might well have been worked out in considerable detail long before the war started are still in rather embryonic form. There seems little doubt, however, that producers will be in a reasonably good position. They are not going to make profits as good as last year's, but any reduction in earnings promises to be quite small. Hence there is a certain amount of enquiry for Tea shares at the present levels. Such investments seem likely to turn out well.

Aluminium Supply and Demand

Most Bauxite Imported by Britain Comes from France; U.S. Could Fill Its Own Needs

SO intensely have the nations worked since 1918 to become self-sufficient in aluminium that present hostilities promise only minor dislocations in demand and supply. All the belligerents except Great Britain have adequate or nearly adequate supplies of bauxite ore at home or close at hand. In an emergency the United States could fill its own needs. Most of its imports, accounting for 45 to 60 per cent. of bauxite consumption, come from Dutch Guiana, outside the theatre of war, states Burton Crane in the "New York Times."

Most of the 253,000 tons of bauxite imported by Britain last year for aluminium-making came from France, which has the richest deposits in the world. Experts doubt France will be able to increase its mining capacity with sufficient rapidity to care for additional demands from its ally. This is the only major difficulty expected in the bauxite-aluminium field, although it may be aggravated by the fact that France's mines lie east of the Rhone, near the Italian and Swiss boundaries and accordingly not far from the front.

Leads in Aluminium Output

Although the world's largest producer of aluminium, with an output of 175,000 tons last year, Germany has no bauxite worth mining. Last year it imported 1,185,000 tons, of which 900,000 were from sources which will not be closed by the war, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Italy, Greece and Denmark. The two closed sources are the Dutch East Indies and France. Yugoslavia has large deposits which can be made to produce more. In addition Germany has experimented successfully with extraction of alumina from common clay. This is too expensive for commercial use but apparently could be used in an emergency.

Russia is working to build up an aluminium industry after a late start. Output last year was 50,000 tons. New plants were scheduled to go into production this year at Kamensk.

Although aluminium has been placed on the War Depaprmtent's list of sixteen strategic materials, men in the industry feel that it is less strategic than the other fifteen. In a recent article in The Military Engineer, Major A. G. Roush said: "Except under extreme conditions, no serious complications are to be anticipated in maintaining, if not a plentiful, at least a measurably adequate supply." Common clay could be used in times of stress and there are large reserves of ores which run to less than the 50 or 60 per cent. alumina commonly used in commercial extraction.

Supplies Above Normal

Supplies of primary aluminium in this country are believed to be considerably above normal. Last year domestic consumption of aluminium fell 47 per cent. but production fell only 2 per cent., because of the near capacity production and employment schedules of the Aluminium Company of America, the sole producer in this country. Production was 130,000 tons and this country imported a little more aluminium than it exported.

Sales policies of the company were indicated in a recent office memorandum by George J. Stanley, vice president, which counseled the staff to take care of all consumers but to discourage overbuying and any form of speculation.

Imports of Bauxite

Imports of bauxite by the Aluminium Company are admittedly higher than they need be, because the rich Arkansas deposits, still believed to be ample, are being conserved in the interests of American self-sufficiency. The Dutch Guiana bauxite has an advantage in that it is extremely low in silica, an impurity which must be removed.

About 70 per cent. of the domestic bauxite is used to make aluminium. The rest goes into such diverse products as abrasives, refractors, quick-setting cement, water softeners, paper making, dyeing and oil refining. Aluminium now has about 2,000 industrial uses and twenty-seven lightweight alloys have been developed, twenty-three of them in this country. About a third aluminium consumed here goes into aircraft, railroad trains and other vehicles.

Production of Bauxite

In 1929 the United States accounted for 17 per cent. of world bauxite output and 36 per cent. of aluminium. In 1937, the last year of complete figures, these percentages were 12 and 27 per cent. Imports in 1937 accounted for 17 per cent. of domestic aluminium consumption, exports for about 2 per cent. of output.

Chinese Banks Said Flooded with Money

Difficulties of Investing Mostly Speculative

Shanghai has now become a concentration camp of idle money which fact gives rise to speculation again, Chinese reports indicate. There has been an enormous increase of the sums of current savings in various Chinese banks here and the effective control of the "war-time currency" in Hongkong is said to be the cause of the flight of capital from the colony to Shanghai.

Investments

The reports complain that the way leading to wise investments is still narrow indeed and most of the idle money has therefore been put in speculative enterprises. Excepting the activities of real estate dealers which are said to be quite noticeable in foreign areas here, people have indulged in buying foreign exchange and gold which, in turn, has resulted in the latter's prices being increased to the disadvantage of the Chinese dollar, it is admitted.

The situation is created entirely by speculation but the legal exchange rate of the Chinese dollar remains unchanged, it is stated.

Easy Settlement Day

With so much cash at their disposal other reports indicate that all Chinese banks here will have no difficulties at all on the settlement day at the end of the year. The foreign-style banks have decided on a three-day holiday for the New Year but the native bankers have their holidays in February when the Lunar New Year will be celebrated.

British Industry In Wartime

Situation Met by Labour Co-operation with Joint Industrial Machinery

Industrial relations in the present war have undergone a considerable change compared with the 1914-18 period. This time it has not been necessary to impose any great amount of regulation. In the last war there was a certain amount of unrest. Since then the Ministry of Labour has been occupied either in watching joint machinery of negotiation being set up or assising in its creation, states the "Financial News."

The Department has established almost a personal relationship with various industries, and when the present war broke out it was considered desirable that nothing should be done to interfere with the existing machinery for the settlement of various problems.

Joint Machinery

It is understood (says the Press Association Labour correspondent) to have been a pleasant surprise to the Ministry to see the way in which the joint machinery in industry has met the situation. In the last war, one of the great problems was the question of the dilution of skilled labour. This time, the Amalgamated Engineering Union and the Engineering Employers' Federation, on their own initiative, have reached an agreement on the dilution problem, which, it is expected, will result in a considerable speeding up of armament production. The shipbuilding industry is also discussing questions of labour supply with a view to meeting national needs.

The transport workers have contributed their quota. Road haulage wages and conditions have been amicably settled, and an agreement of a unique character has been reached in regard to the transfer of dock labour from one port to another in the event of shipping being diverted. The Government has given some financial assistance, but the scheme is essentially a voluntary one between the Transport Workers' Union and the employers.

No Exploitation

It is not considered, generally speaking, that there has been a tendency on the part of employers in industry to exploit the war situation, and to cut wages and worsen conditions. In the case of some small employers, and unorganized employees, there has been an attempt to require longer hours to be worked and not to give the extra payments which would normally be obtainable, but this is regarded as exceptional.

Conditions of work generally have been steadily maintained, and where long hours are worked, steps are being taken to bring them under consideration with a view to making them reasonable. The utmost value is placed on the capabilities of industries, by joint discussions, to do much more than the Government could do by compulsion. If the war lasts a considerable time, one of the effects will probably be to level up minimum conditions in various industries.

Slowly but surely, it is believed, all workers will receive a certain minimum wage, and war conditions will probably do a lot to expedite that action. There are signs that regard will have to be paid to the rise in the cost of living.

Voluntary organizations, and the machinery which has been built up in industry, will, it is expected, bring more stability than any other factor. The trade unions and the employers, it is agreed, have loyally supported the Government's policy of getting national industrial co-operation.

New Consultative Body

The formation of a joint body of the employers and the trade unions is now being discussed with the Minister of Labour (Mr. Ernest Brown) to deal with labour wartime problems. The general idea is that this body shall be consultative.

The T.U.C. and the employers' representatives are meeting next Wednesday to decide on the scope and constitution. The Government feels the need for a joint body, because it is desired that any necessary changes shall be taken with the agreement of those mainly concerned.

It may be necessary for the joint body to consider questions of supply, and matters that may be troubling industry in order that they can be remedied.

Side by side in this, there is a desire that the trade unions should be associated with the work carried out by Government Departments, and a form of consultation with the Departments is being discussed, so that the unions can bring their experience and knowledge to bear in the national interest.

It is appreciated that it is desirable that the unions should be brought in, and it is probable that they will be, as a result of the recent discussion between the T.U.C. and the Prime Minister. There are no difficulties which are at present regarded as insurmountable.

It can be stated that the Ministry of Labour is working now on the possible readjustment of the cost of living index figure, based on thousands of household budget returns which it has received, but it will be a long job.

Japanese Tinned Goods Exports Increased

Larger Demand Follows War Outbreak

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

A record in Japanese canned provisions exportation was reached during the period from January to November, it was announced here today.

Canned goods exportations during these months were valued at Y.139,339,000, an increase of Y.32,990,000 in comparison with the corresponding period last year.

The European war was said to have been largely responsible for the increase.

Countries to which canned provisions were exported and the value of the goods were:

Great Britain, Y.36,000,000, an increase of Y.4,000,000 over last year; France, Y.1,330,000, an increase of Y.60,000; Germany, Y.330,000, the same amount as last year; Italy, Y.25,000, the same as last year; Belgium, Y.2,350,000, an increase of Y.500,000; the Netherlands, Y.1,350,000, an increase of Y.560,000; the United States, Y.18,870,000, an increase of Y.120,000.—Domei.

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Formosa via Keelung		*20.00	7.30
Ningpo Wenchow etc. via Chinhai	x	11.30	12.00
Nantung		14.30	15.00
Japan via Kobe		15.30	16.00
U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia	x	15.00	16.30
Chinwangtao	x	16.00	16.30
Chefoo and Tientsin		19.30	20.00
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Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao		19.30	20.00
WEDNESDAY, December 6.			
Tsingtao and Dairen		*20.00	7.15
Ningpo Wenchow etc. via Chinhai		*20.00	8.00
H'kuni U.S.A. Canada Europe via Pacific	A	*10.00	12.00
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Hongkong and Canton		12.00	12.30
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Japan and Korea via Nagasaki		*20.00	7.15
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Amoy Hongkong and Canton		10.30	11.00
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Imperial Airways Service per steamer on December 7, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary due London on December 20.

Pan American Airways Service per steamer on December 7, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on Dec. 20.

Air France per steamer on December 7, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary.

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Weather, Time and Tide

Tuesday, December 5, 1939 (25th day of 10th moon)	SICCAWEI Dec. 3 16.00	Dec. 3 21.00	Dec. 4 4.00	Dec. 4 9.00
Barometer inches	30.50	30.51	30.46	30.50
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.07	—0.10	—0.14	—0.10
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.10	—0.09	—0.04	—0.01
Wind (direction)	NNW	N	N	NW/N
" (miles per hour)	5.0	2.5	0.6	2.5
Temperature (Fahr.)	45.3°	35.4°	30.2°	39.7°
Humidity %	59	82	100	74
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	4	0	0	0
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report December 3	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.55	—0.03	30.30
Temp. Min. 31.°8 Max. 53.°4	42.°6	—6.°0	45.°7
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	47.05	—	43.38

Time and Tide	5/12	6/12	7/12	8/12	9/12
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.38	6.38	6.39	6.39	6.40
Sun sets at Shanghai	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51
Moon rises at Shanghai	0.31	1.35	2.38	3.41	4.43
Moon sets at Shanghai	12.54	13.31	14.12	14.55	15.43
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	17.30	6.27	7.25	8.06	8.49
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	9.38	11.20	12.36	13.27	14.16
H.W. Wusung Bar 6 to 18	7.05	8.20	9.15	10.10	10.40
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	6.38	7.10	8.12	9.25	9.38

CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 54

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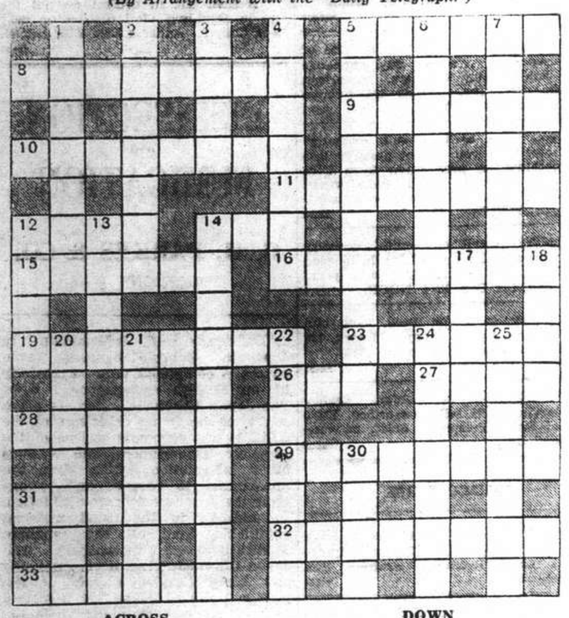

ACROSS

5 Meaning something from overseas
8 A big stretch of country for one dog
9 This local council has a capital start
10 1066 dates it
11 Try a height for him, though he may be going to try another world
12 A server in the best Mythology of old
14 One would not be likely to be able to buy this for this in India
15 Here or tide is the making of him
16 About a third of the way round
19 This state is happy though probably short
23 Shellfish
26 Herb often run down in France
27 Dangerous creatures as a literary afterthought
28 Musical composition
29 House of which there is only one in a 9 across
31 Throw out even if you decapitate it
32 No thoroughfare certainly
33 The many dull pupils in a girls' school

DOWN

1 Coaxed
2 To this is part of the art of this game
3 "And borrowing dulls the —— of husbandry" ("Hamlet")
4 The fingerboard of a stringed instrument is probably this
5 An epithet for 32 across seems to be a claim to mediocrity
6 A necessary break in a river journey perhaps
7 This dish need not contain the fish that appears in it
12 Insert this part of the revenue
13 These tools in the workshop are complete
14 Past tenses
17 For services rendered or hints
18 The ambitious avoid getting stuck here
20 Disease
21 Moves uncertainly like some adders
22 Crack (not first-class but bad in part)
24 The head of 29 across has usually done this to many people
25 Clever combination of mare and pig
30 This may carry a cowboy or vice versa

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS:** 5, Author; 8, Get a move on; 9, Canute; 10, Bridle path; 11, Orison; 12, Best seller; 17, Eel; 18, Slain; 20, Golf; 22, Tern; 23, Topee; 24, Sat; 26, Degenerate; 30, Remote; 31, Fallacious; 32, Morale; 33, Anticlimax; 34, Select. **DOWN:** 1, Hearse; 2, Bandit; 3, Cohere; 4, Debacle; 5, Anchor; 6, Tangible; 7, Out to win; 13, Shop; 14, Safe; 15, Lease; 16, Elite; 18, Stye; 19, Area; 20, Gone home; 21, Lemonade; 25, Agility; 26, Defeat; 27, Nuance; 28, Raisin; 29, Toucan.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening

From MANILA: President Taft, with mail, due 8.30 p.m. Buoys 12-13 Passengers expected at Customs Jetty 9.30 p.m.

From KEELUNG: Tyosa Maru, due 10 a.m. O.S.K. Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From ANTWERP

Tamesis	20/10	17/12
Zuiderkerk	8/11	2/1

From GENOA

C. B'camano	23/11	20/12

From TRIESTE

Volpi	5/10	7/12
Cortellazzo	28/10	14/12
Fusijama	21/11	7/1

From BOMBAY

Cortelazzo	24/11	14/12
C. B'camano	5/12	20/12

From SINGAPORE

Volpi	20/11	7/12

From SOERABAYA

Tjinegara	17/11	6/12
Tjibadak	1/12	18/12

From HONGKONG

See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

H. Maersk	25/10	10/12
Vigrid	10/10	19/12
M. Maersk	10/11	26/12
L. Maersk	25/11	10/1

From SAVANNAH

L. Maersk	30/11	10/1

From LOS ANGELES

Asama M.	30/10	7/12
Tatuta M.	20/11	16/12
M. Maersk	1/12	26/12

From HONOLULU

Tatuta M.	28/11	16/12

From HONGKONG

See "China Ports" below.

From YOKOHAMA

H. Maersk	5/12	10/12

From KOBE

Asama M.	—	7/12

From NAGASAKI

Shanghai M.	5/12	6/12

From KEELUNG

Hukuken M.	6/12	9/12

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN

Boissevain	15/11	23/12

From MOMBASA

Boissevain	3/12	23/12

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Hoten M.	5/12	7/12

From AMOY

Tjinegara	2/12	6/12

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Isabel Moller, from Chinwangtao: Mr. Harris, | Miss Johnson.

DEPARTURES

Per Kaiping, for Chinwangtao: Miss Lou Ah Tsih, Mr & Mrs. Chang, | Mr. K. P. Chow, Mr. & Mrs. Chung, Miss S. Russell.

Vessels Discharging

NANKIN. The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer Nankin, from Australia nad Ports. —This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Old Ningpo Wharf on Friday, December 8, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Pro. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents. 5-12

Vessels Sailing

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LONDON

Hakone Maru	27/12
Kasima Maru	5/1

For GENOA

C. B'camano	22/12
Victoria	8/1

For OSLO

Tai Ping	30/12

For CAPETOWN

Boissevain	25/12

For BOMBAY

Zinsan Maru	4/12
Kaisyo Maru	18/12

For CALCUTTA

Tusima Maru	8/12

For JAVA

Tjinegara	7/12
Tjibadak	21/12

For MANILA

H. Maersk	11/12
P. Coolidge	3/1

For NEW YORK

Naruto Maru	8/12
Kiyokawa Maru	9/12
Gret. Maersk	15/12
Talisman	19/12
G. Maersk	1/1
H. Maersk	15/1

For San FRANCISCO

Pres. Taft	6/12
Asama Maru	8/12
P. Cleveland	20/12
Tatuta Maru	23/12
P. Pierce	1/1
P. Coolidge	16/1

For YOKOHAMA

Hokozaki Maru	26/12

For KOBE

Taiyo Maru	13/12

For NAGASAKI

Shanghai Maru	7/12
Nagasaki Maru	9/12
Shanghai Maru	12/12

For DAIREN

Dairen Maru	6/12
Hoten Maru	9/12
Tsingtao Maru	12/12
Dairen Maru	15/12
Hoten Maru	17/12
Tsingtao Maru	20/12

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PRES. DOUMER. From Marseilles via Ports arrived on December 4, 1939, and discharging her cargo at Hunt's Wharf, Shanghai. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees and claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Saturday, December 9, 1939, at 9 a.m. at the wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. No Insurance effected. Cie des Messageries Maritimes. 6-12

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
H. Kiangnan	T'senkong	Foo Hwa
Zinzan M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Remo	Sungmen	V. Chieri
Lipari	T'lungkong	Dong Shing
Michael Jebsen	Hongkong	Jebsen
Karsten	Hsinkong	Chin Dah
Haitung	Tientsin	T.K.K.
Patti	Sanhokong	V. Chieri
Anshing	Dairen	T.K.K.
Pres. Doumer	Hongkong	M.M.
Luise	Hsinkong	G.M.C.
Liesel	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Chingning M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Bonho	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
Hwaping	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Kiangting	T'lungkong	Foo Hwa
Dairen M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Nantung M.	Nantung	T.K.K.
Whakuo	Hsinkong	Kiang An
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Romolo	Liuho Point	V. Chieri
Corona	C'wangtao	K.M.A.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Liesei	Ger.	Chin Dah
Haikong	Ger.	G.M.C.
Sandro Sandri	Ital.	Chu Foong
Romolo	Ital.	V. Chieri
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Nagasaki M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Sygna	Nor.	K.M.A.
U.S.S. Finch	Am.	—
Kiangnan	Ger.	Chu Foong
H. Kiangnan	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Karsten	Ger.	Chin Dah
Romolo	Ital.	V. Chieri

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	C.N.C.B. 1/2
Marblehead	Am.	Cr.	B.N.E.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.E.
Piegon 6	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

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ss. DAIREN MARU	Dec. 13	Dec. 15 at 9 a.m.
ss. HOTEN MARU	Dec. 15	Dec. 17 at 9 a.m.
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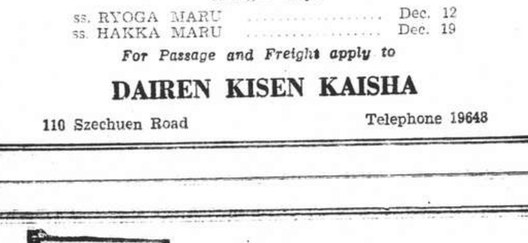

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Japan Party Heads To Confer

Premier Summons Meeting Of Political Leaders in Tokyo; Agreement Sought

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Commenting on the conference scheduled today at the residence of the Premier, Gen. Nobuyuki Abe, observers said a "common front" movement might be launched by political leaders with a view to organizing a new party.

General Abe invited five party leaders to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon to ask their co-operation in executing foreign and domestic policies centred around termination of the China hostilities.

The five leaders are: Mr. Chuji Machida, President of the Minseito; Mr. Fusanosuke Kuhara, President of the Seiyukai; Mr. Chikuhei Nakajima, President of the Seiyukai reformist faction; Mr. Kenzo Adachi, President of the Kokumin Domei, and Mr. Isoo Abe, President of the Social Masses Party.

Much interest is centred in the meeting of the party leaders, who are expected to extend support to the Government's policies in China.

Earlier Meetings

The "Nichi-Nichi" recalled that such meetings of political leaders with the Premier were begun in 1916 when Mr. Shigenobu Okuma sought the co-operation of three parties in connection with national defence and foreign policies.

Party chiefs who met in this first session were Mr. Takeshi Hara, President of the Seiyukai; Mr. Komei Kato, President of the Minseito, and Mr. Tsuyoshi Inukai, President of the Kokuminto.

Today's parley was believed to have been called at the suggestion of the newly appointed Welfare Minister, Mr. Kiyoshi Akita, the "Nichi-Nichi" said.

Following the meeting with the Premier today the five party chiefs are expected to issue a joint statement announcing co-operation with the Government.

It was held possible that the session would result in formation of a permanent council to hold regular meetings.

It was anticipated that the Lower House will issue a declaration in the next session of the Diet favouring early establishment of a new central régime in China and urging concerted efforts to terminate the hostilities.—Domei.

American Boy Scouts Receive Honours

64 Awards Presented During Community Church Ceremony

The Community Church Troop of American Boy Scouts held their autumn Court of Honour Sunday night, at the Community Church, at which 36 boys received a total of 64 awards. Mr. Eugene C. Huebener, Scoutmaster, presented the rank of Tenderfooot Scout to Lewis Coley, Owen Koeppe, Peter Kazak, Henry Corra, Lewis Lancaster, Bobby Patterson, Fritz Greene, Richard Jackson, Edward Jackson, John Hoftra, Robert Whitener, W. W. Jourdin, Jr., Campbell McMillan, David Hamilton, Walter Scherertz, Donald Libby, Allen Wiant, Olod Lindstedt, Harold Snuggs, Raymond Womeldorf, John Daniels, Kenneth Campbell, and Ben Mager.

Mr. A. F. Kimball presented the rank of Second Class Scout to Joe Henry, Lewis Lancaster, Bobby Patterson, Bobby Richardson, Fritz Greene, Nael Brady, Winston Haskell, Richard Jackson, Donald Libby, Lloyd Craighill, Forest Sone, Owen Koeppe, and Edward Jackson.

Rev. John Lyon Caughey, Pastor of Community Church, presented the rank of First Class Scout to Morton Bates, George Hudson, Morris Trimmer, and Harold Johnson.

Mr. H. G. Freeman, Chairman of the troop committee, presented the following merit badges: Morris Trimmer, woodwork, carpentry, music, swimming, and reading; George Hudson; woodwork, carpentry, public health, first aid, and personal health; Joe Henry, poultry raising; Harold Johnson, carpentry, painting, handicraft, signaling, and radio; Everett Jackson. carpentry and painting; Morton Bates, public health and reading; Sidney Anderson, scholarship, photography and journalism; Neal Brady, handicraft, carpentry and painting.

The troop holds regular meetings every Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Two Bandits Arrested And Revolver Seized

Bubbling Well Policemen Respond to Alarm

When five Chinese attempted to rob a Chinese house, No. 21, Lane 1537 Bubbling Well Road, at 7.45 o'clock yesterday morning, an alarm was raised bringing police from the Bubbling Well Station to the scene. One of the bandits who carried a revolver was arrested, as was an unarmed accomplice. The men had taken $65, which was recovered by the police. The revolver was turned over to the ballistics office at Police Headquarters to determine if it had figured in any shootings here.

Bubbling Well Station detectives were last night seeking to apprehend the three members of the gang who escaped.

Siamese Doctors to Tour Wartorn Areas

An inspection tour of medical conditions in Central China will be made by two physicians from the Red Cross Hospital in Thailand, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday.

The two doctors, Mr. Luang Charoenveff and Mr. La-iad Sobiya, arrived here on Frday and are now staying at the Astor House Hotel the paper said.

They left Thailand on October 19 and visited Kobe, Tokyo and other Japanese cities before coming here. After touring Nanking, Hangchow and other points in Central China during the next three weeks, they will return to Tokyo. They will start their voyage home after visiting Tokyo again.

U.S. "Trunk Murderess" Escapes Again

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 4.

Governor R. T. Jones announced last night that Winnie Ruth Judd, the "trunk murderess," had escaped from the state hospital for the insane again yesterday.

The "Tiger Woman," who murdered two of her best friends and tried to dispose of their bodies by chopping them up and placing them in trunks, first escaped from the hospital in October. She surrendered on October 31 after visiting her family.—United Press.

Municipal Orchestra

Prelude and Fugue in D Major

Prelude and fugue in D major ..... Bach-Respighi
7th Symphony ..... Beethoven
Introduction and Allegro for Harp ..... Ravel
Intermezzo: "The Walk to the Paradise Gardens" ..... Delius
Serenate from "Chiari di Luna" ..... Tommasini

In contrast to the Casella version of Bach given at last week's concert, the Respighi work which served as overture for Sunday's programme is a pleasingly faithful transcription. It does not entirely dispel the doubt whether anything apart from greater accessibility is to be gained by orchestrating Bach's keyboard works but it is, nevertheless, an attempt definitely worth listening to, done with the extreme taste for which its author was renowned. This was a "first performance" and a fresh reminder of how serious a loss to music was caused by Respighi's death in 1936 at the too early age of 57. He was indisputably at the very top of modern Italian composers.

First for quality of performance at this concert was the Intermezzo by Delius. This poignantly beautiful work, taken from the opera "A Village Romeo and Juliet," is one of Maestro Paci's favourites, a choice which is most readily endorsed. It was excellently played and this praise is not meant to be diminished by adding that the predominantly sostenuto character of the Intermezzo makes it grateful to the performers.

Expanded Edition

Ravel's "Introduction and Allegro" for harp, string quartette, flute and clarinet appeared in an expanded edition, with each instrument of the string quartette multiplied by four. There is, no doubt, a good reason for this, but it was not apparent. As performed, however, the work made an appropriate vehicle for the principal instrument, the harp. It is a pity that this instrument has not stirred composers to greater efforts on its behalf for it is very pleasant to listen to. Mr. Biriulin, harpist of the orchestra, took his part very well and thoroughly delighted the audience. An encore would have been appreciated. Incidentally and whilst on the subject of solos, could not a search be made in the orchestra's library for something for the clarinet?

The subject of the symphony is broached with some hesitation, lest there be other "concert-goers" up in arms. Let if suffice to say that the first three movements were satisfactorily played and that the fourth was considerably rushed—c.

Coolie Arrested in U.S. Consulate

Former Mess-Boy Suspected Of Fraud Freed by Police

A Chinese coolie, formerly employed as a mess-boy with the 15th U. S. Infantry in Tientsin, was apprehended in the U.S. Consulate-General yesterday morning when it was thought he was attempting to obtain money under false pretences. The coolie had in his possession a letter of recommendation signed by an officer in the 15th Infantry and on the strength of this letter he was trying to get money from officials in the Consulate-General.

One of the officials noticed that the word captain in the letter of recommendation had been spelled "captian" and became suspicious of the coolie. The Chinese was detained in the U. S. Marshal's office and police from Central Station were called in to arrest the man. After questioning by detectives in Central Station the coolie was released, police officials being satisfied that the man had not attempted to obtain money by fraudulent methods.

British Divorce Actions Heard

In H.M. Supreme Court yesterday before Judge P. Grant Jones, Mrs. Barbara N. McCann was granted a decree absolute in an action for divorce against Mr. Edward Guy Fullerton McCann. Mr. H. A. Reeks appeared for petitioner.

At the same Court Mr. J. H. Liddell was granted a decree absolute against Mrs. G. M. Liddell. Mr. C. E. Lowe appeared for petitioner.

Japanese Deny Jessfield House Shooting

Referring to the report that three Japanese Army officers had engaged in a shoot-up in a badlands resort on Sunday the Japanese Embassy spokesman at yesterday evening's press conference said "one of these afternoon papers alleged that three officers of the Special Service Section engaged in a shooting affray in a place called Jessfield House. According to information given to the Embassy by the Japanese Army there is no truth in the report. The Japanese Army has taken a serious view of the publication of such a report."

Japanese Empress Gives Bandages to Navy

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

Empress Nagako presented bandages she made to wounded officers and men of the Japanese navy today.—Domei.

House of Bishops in China Meets

Resignations Submitted To Authorities

The House of Bishops of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui met at St. John's University, Shanghai, on Friday and Saturday. The main business of the House was to deal with the resignations of Bishops, and with nominations for vacancies thus created. The House approved the following resignations:

Resignations submitted to the Archbishop of Canterbury: the Right Rev. F. L. Norris, D.D. (Bishop of North China) to take effect from June 30, 1940, the Right Rev. J. Hind, D.D. (Bishop of Fukien) to take effect from March 31, 1940.

Resignation submitted to the Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the U. S. A.: The Right Rev. D. T. Huntington, D.D. (Bishop of Anking) to take effect from the autumn of 1940.

The House accepted the following resignation submitted to itself: the Right Rev. I. O. Ding, D.D. (Assistant Bishop of Fukien).

The House made the following nominations: Nominations to the Archbishop of Canterbury: For the Bishopric of North China, the Right Rev. T. A. Scott, D.D. (Bishop of Shantung); for the Bishopric of Fukien, the Right Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, M.A. (Assistant Bishop of Fukien); nomination to the Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the U. S. A.: for the Bishopric of Anking, the Rev. L. R. Craighill, B.D.

The nomination of Bishop Scott to North China necessitated his resignation of the Bishopric of Shantung, and the following nomination was made to the Archbishop of Canterbury: For the Bishopric of Shantung, the Rev. J. Wellington, B.D.

One other important action was taken by the House of Bishops. On the request of the Diocese of Hongkong for the appointment of an Assistant Bishop for work in the provinces of Yunnan and Kweichow, the House of Bishops elected the Rev. Y. Y. Tsu, M.A., PH.D. This election is subject to confirmation by a majority of the Dioceses of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui.

Film Show Planned for War Fund

"Pygmalion" To Be Given At Country Club

There will be a showing of the film "Pygmalion," which attracted full houses during its run in Shanghai, at the Country Club on December 14, in aid of the British Women's Association's War Work Fund. Tickets, which cost $3, are on sale at the B.W.A., Moutries, and the Country Club. The performance is open to the public.

An additional attraction will be the showing of films illustrating scenery and life in Canada, Australia, and South Africa, by courtesy of the Trade Commissioners of the countries concerned. The performance is being given under the patronage of Sir Archibald Clerk Kerr, H. M. Ambassador.

At the same time as the performance, the draws for the two raffles, the prizes of which are now being displayed in the windows of Arts and Crafts, will be held. These raffles, which are for the same fund, are for a doll's laundry set (first prize) and a dressed doll (second prize), and a Chinese junk.

Settlement Police Will Revive Cadet System

Opportunity Extended to Those Now Serving

The officer-cadet system of former days is to be revived in the Shanghai Municipal Police, it was learned officially yesterday.

The opportunity of advancement to commissioned rank through the scheme is to be offered to qualified men now serving in the Force in the Foreign Branch. It is understood that those now under 30 years of age, who have had police experience and who otherwise meet the requirements laid down, are eligible.

Although the plan encourages the appointment of assistant commissioners from among men of younger years, it does not preclude the advancement of those who have risen through the grades to the rank of superintendent.

One of the chief purposes of the system is to obtain officers who will be able to serve in commissioned posts over a long period of years. Formerly the officer-cadets were brought to Shanghai from Home. Now they will be chosen locally.

"La Revue Nationale Chinoise"

The November issue of this monthly contains a series of articles of interest to those concerned with politics and Far-Eastern and world problems. Some of the topics are: France's economics on the war's eve; Mongolia, battlefield of the future. A series of interesting information is devoted to Mr. Wang China-wei's peace movement. All kinds of news and flashes give a vivid account of Far Eastern events, including a press review of Chinese and Japanese newspapers' comments, Dr. H. H. Kung, among other personalities, contributes an article: "Is China a democracy?" The problem has just been dealt with in Chungking, at the Kuomintang's congress held there. The renowned French poet, Paul Claudel, gives translations of Chinese poetry. A leader, "November 1939," has been inspired by one of Sapajou's excellent cartoons. The book review will prove valuable to English-speaking readers interested in French publications on the Far East. Photographs reproducing the splendid work of the Chinese artist, Long Chin-san, try to explain the principles of modern Chinese photography. "La Revue Nationale Chinoise" is obtainable at all the best booksellers.

Warning Against Hunting

In view of the fact that people persist in hunting in areas under Japanese control, in spite of previous warnings, a new warning is being issued that such activities should cease, the Japanese Embassy spokesman stated at the press conference yesterday.

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